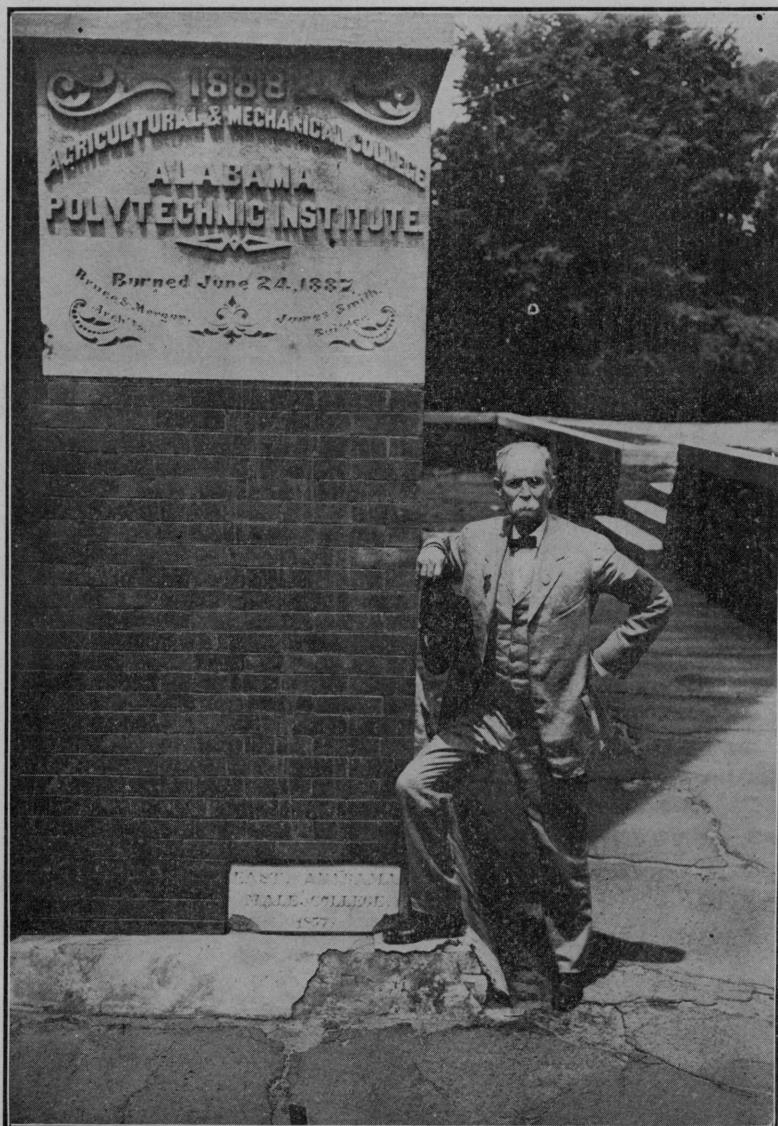


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THE HOME-COMING COMMENCEMENT

The Home-Coming Commencement was, in many respects, the greatest commencement ever held in Auburn. Notwithstanding the fact that Secretary of State Bryan could not get off at the last minute, and that Dr. Ross, the Baccalaureate orator, missed a train which prevented his arrival in time for the graduating exercises, an Auburn commencement was never happier, more enthusiastic, more replete with good speeches, or more impressive. As was expected, the attendance of the alumni and former students was many times as large as any other commencement crowd. The "Auburn spirit," not unaccompanied by ancient yells and street embraces, was never more evident, as all reviewed the happy days of the past and planned not a little of future help, in money and personal service which Auburn alumni expect to give to their alma mater. In looking back over the events of the whole season, one must think and speak in superlatives of the best barbecue, the most enjoyable reception, the most delicious banquet, the happiest toasts, etc., ad infinitum.

As it is impossible to give a full description of all that is worthy to be written about, we are giving a bare outline of the festivities, with some interesting cuts, which will give those who could not come some idea of the joy that was ours. We are grateful to 'The Montgomery Advertiser, The Birmingham Age-Herald, The Birmingham Ledger, the Birmingham News, and other State papers for much that appears in this issue.

THE SERMON.

Bishop Tucker took John 1:5 for a text: "The light shineth in darkness and the darkness overcometh it not." His dominant note was optimism based upon sure foundation. "Your philosophy of life will be a philosophy of optimism," he said, "if you walk in the way Christ walked, in the path of the Just One which shineth more and more unto perfect day." To him the brevity of life and its comparative insignificance, as emphasized by our theories of evolution and development, is no incentive to pessimism. This note of sadness, he added, is as old as literature. It was voiced by the ancient Hebrew poets, by Job in his immortal drama, by the writer of Ecclesiastes, by writers ancient and modern in their great tragedies of life and in their philosophy. True, we are born but to die; yet every one can contribute his or her mite of service to mankind in its ceaseless toil toward the goal of a truly perfect day.

"With you, young men, and others of your generation rests the onward march of progress whether your age will be as the stagnant centuries

before the Reformation or whether it will be one that hastens the coming of the Lord, the fuller shining of the light. May God make you heralds of the dawn of that day. To you, young men, comes today stronger than ever the appeal of the Master, 'Walk as the children of light that the darkness may overtake you not.'

The Bishop reviewed important historical events during his own lifetime, saying, in part:

"Men of my generation have lived through much history, have seen many changes in the world's map, the rise and fall of nations. Among my earliest recollections is that of a procession of Englishmen marching through the streets of Richmond with flags and torches and shouts triumphant, crying 'Sebastopol has fallen!' Notwithstanding its heroisms, war with all its barbarities seems to check human progress. And yet out of all the slaughter and din there comes as a partial compensation to humanity, the inspiration not so much of the valour as of the devotion of duty, with no thought of self, of the noble 600 which was voiced by the laureate of England and which will live in the hearts of many knights of justice's cause. Out of war has come the visions of Florence Nightingale and the touch of tenderness of love and solace leavened from a compassionate Christ which had crystallized into the Red Cross and has mitigated the horrors of war even beyond the pale of Christendom."

Learn from the past that those who faced life with hope and courage to do right, and who follow in the footsteps of the Prince of Peace fail not.

Drawing from his own experience, the Bishop encouraged the young men not to falter in the face of obstacles, hard tasks, or apparent defeat, saying:

"I go back to the time when I slept for the last time as a soldier of the South. I recall with what thought of hopelessness and gloom I retreated my way to Richmond, with nothing but my tattered uniform and my parole as a private in the army of the Confederacy. Life seemed ended with the passing of the land in which we were dreaming—all that heart held dear.

"Flag, country, cause—gone like a sail that dots the seas and passes out of sight. It all seemed lost—and waste—naught left. And there were losses and many dead and many doubly dead because they died so young, the old quiet ways of a simpler life, the special charm of another age, as it was seen in the chivalry of manhood and in the tender grace of a sheltered womanhood, the right which we sought—of a people to be free.

"But today, the South stands stronger, prosperous, endowed with all the future can bring, and yet richer by far, for those imperial memories of the far off days of heroic endeavor, for the splendid fruitage of the sacrifice of a people for duty and enriching the world through generations to come with the memory of the life and the high idealism of the stainless Lee and intrepid Jackson."

With such ideals of heroism and service, the Bishop urged the fight for character:

"Cling to your faith in God, to your faith in humanity, regenerated by Christ, believe in the ultimate triumph of good and bring to the battle against evil all the energies of a consecrated manhood."

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

In the afternoon, when the shadow of Langdon Hall had stretched itself far across the campus, the band struck up as lively as it might on a Sunday afternoon. By two and fours, the home-comers strolled in and many a slap on the shoulder and a warm grasp of hand told the joy of greeting old friends. Where's "Billy?" Where's "Widdy?" How many of our class are here? prefaced many a tale of days gone by. There were "Tut" Paden and "Buck" Walker, whom only to see is better than a week in a sanitarium. There were Persons and Newman who played baseball in front of Langdon Hall and the Main Building, and who regaled us with tales of the baseball team that was never defeated, and of twenty-seven struck out in one game. Some of the younger fellows ventured to wonder why such baseball experts could tame themselves enough to teach agriculture and dispense medicine. "Johnnie" Holt from Washington and "Top" Mangum from Texas radiated sunshine as their prototype slid over the western horizon. There were even some who dared to remember that terrific storm which came near making a clean sweep of Auburn during the last years of the civil war, and which carried the Baptist church away without injuring one of the score of wounded Confederate soldiers sheltered there; but they were few. There were the volunteers of the Spanish-American war yarning of Florida coral sand and mosquitoes, pioneers in Southern football nudging Petrie in the side and discoursing upon the flying wedge, heroes of the conflagration in 1887 who chunked a library book out of the window or rescued a bone from the Museum. There, too, were other heroes, no less renowned; those who knew all about the last time the cannon was shot, the loss of a hogshead of wine at the station, the tying of the goat to the church bell, the capture of the runaway soldier, numerous possum and cane patch hunts, and many other semi-heroic

escapades no less interesting and no less famous in their day. Darkness and the distant tinkling of the supper bells at last called us away. Very soon afterwards the Bishop summoned us to Langdon Hall again, gave us a sermon and sent us to bed—all except the Birmingham crowd who vied with each other in the attempt to stay awake all the week. But Sunday's events were but the pious prelude to the diapason blasts of Monday.

MONDAY, THE DAY OF WELCOME.

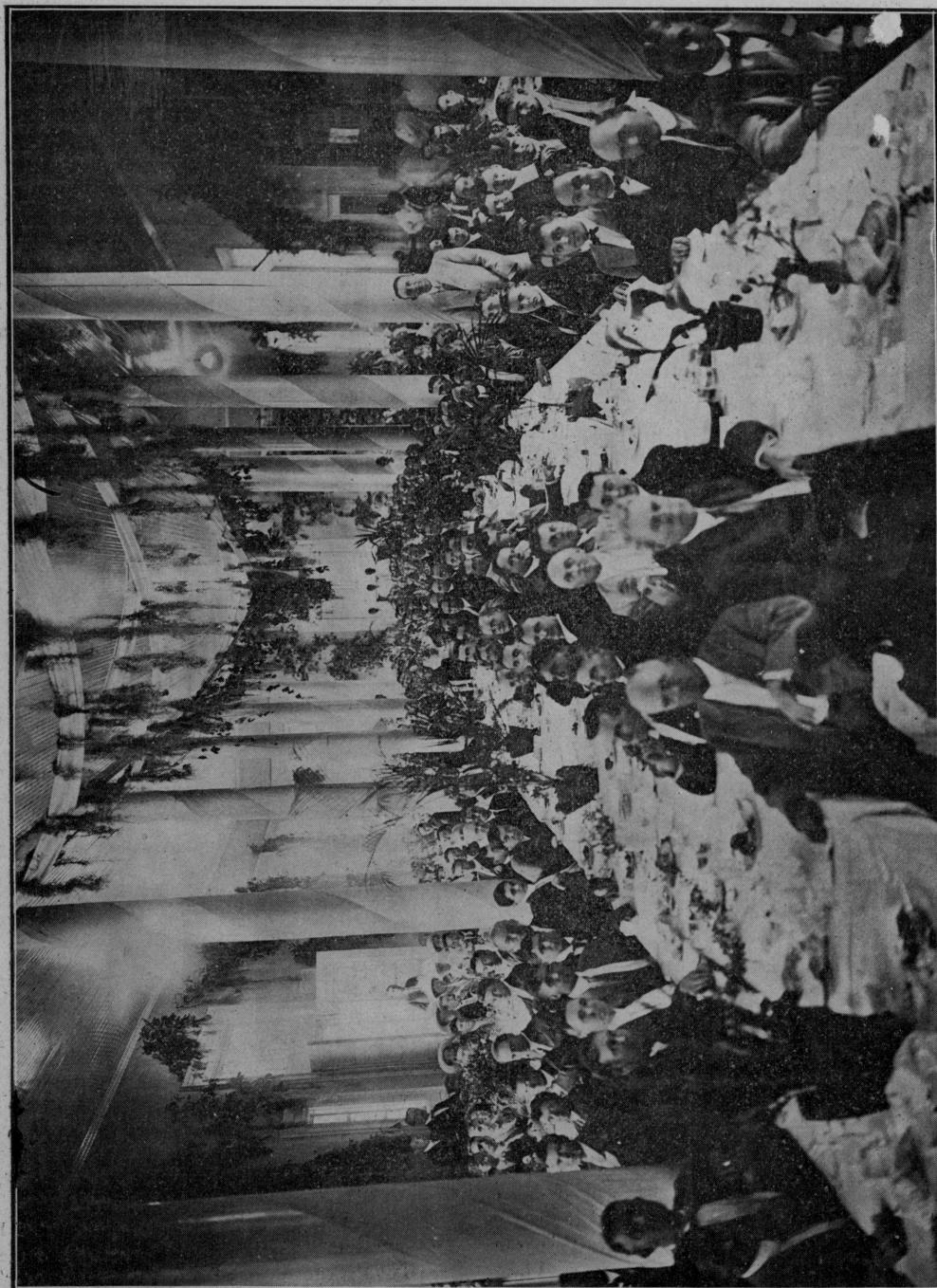
The Welcome Program was opened by an eloquent speech by President Thomas Bragg. In welcoming his fellow alumni back to Auburn, he extolled the Auburn spirit. He called it a spirit of co-operation born of democratic feeling which pervades the student body at Auburn, the spirit of team work, the belief in the value of every man to society, and the fairness of treatment and respect go along with such a belief. He asserted that Auburn men keep their faith in their alma mater because they believe in her and her work. This spirit of loyalty, he added, is common to all parts of the institution's official body, the students, the faculty, the president, the board of trustees, and is the true basis of the institution's success and usefulness.

At the close of his address, Mr. Bragg introduced President Thach who welcomed the alumni in the name of the faculty. Dr. Thach said, in part:

"Fellow Alumni: It is my rare privilege today to speak to you in the name of your old professors the word of welcome back to the old halls and the haunts of the days of your youth. Today seems truly a red-letter day in the history of our institution. The home-gathering of a host of old friends, sons of a common mother, friends of a common group of beloved preceptors, bound together by the bonds of many a joyous and tender memory, and by that friendship of youth which is, after all, perhaps the tenderest and the truest that comes into our lives.

"Life is indeed a kaleidoscope of many hues somewhat like the tattered fragments of a broken rainbow:—the love of country, the love of home, the love of fireside, the love of sweetheart, the love of wife, the love of mother, and, not least, the love of our college—these are a few of the primary sentiments that color our daily life. And I felicitate the happy sentiment that prompted the conception of this great home-gathering.

"Well, it is for all of us to pause for a few moments in the strenuous rush of our daily life, and gather for a while around the old fireside and renew the joys of those days that were apparelled in celestial light. It is, indeed, an auspicious



HOME-COMING BANQUET SCENE

moment, and I congratulate you, one and all, upon the enthusiasm of this unique event. May the contagion spread in ever widening circles until it reaches every unit of our great army of Auburn men.

"I cannot refrain from the expression of a personal note of pleasure in the circumstances of the hour. For four decades it has been my lot to be a part and parcel of this great family life called Auburn. With the exception, perhaps, of the beloved surgeon of the college, I am the tie that binds together the detached fragments of forty years. A mighty army of 9000 men, 1500 of whom have passed through to graduation—surely, it is a high privilege to have the great influences from this host of noble young fellows to come into one's life. As representatives of this great family we are assembled today, once again to grasp hands and renew old friendships, to shoulder our crutches and fight our battles o'er, and stir once again the generous enthusiasm of youth for Auburn, the mother who trained our powers and who lodged within us the aspiration of life. Sentiment, is it? Yes, but what is life without sentiment; as bleak as a rocky promontory; as bare as an arid desert.

"The pride of Harvard is Memorial Hall; the pride of West Point are the illustrious dead who fell on the field of honor; the pride of Oxford and of Cambridge are its illustrious sons, poets, statesmen and philosophers. Compared with their long career, sixty years may be but a brief span; but fellow alumni, we have a goodly heritage in the memories of our old institution full of charm for retrospect, full of inspiration for tomorrow.

"Briefly, then, may we not ask, what is Auburn?"

In answer to this question, Dr. Thach said, first, that Auburn is a geographical point. He related the facts regarding the location of the college here in 1872, and the purposes for which it was established. "Like Princeton," he added, "old Oxford and old Cambridge, the geographical name of the village, has come to designate the institution, to be our great trade-mark. The rolling hazy hills, and the clear sky, and the brilliant stars and sunsets, the bicycle path, the streets, the campus, where we have all courted and lost or won, the "genius loci," as the Latins called it, the spirit of the place have all formed the basis of that institution that we call Auburn. An ideal place in a way, without distractions without dissipation.

"The Alabama Polytechnic Institute, a high sounding phrase, is fit for legal documents and grave legislation, but not to conjure with and not

to yell with and not to dream with as "fair Auburn."

"Second, it takes buildings for a college, and Auburn has buildings, and she wants more. We do not feel that the sons of Auburn or the State of Alabama need feel ashamed of the present group of buildings owned by the institution.

"Third, a successful institution must have a well defined aim. Auburn has, for forty years, adhered strictly to the ideal that the agricultural and mechanical sciences should be taught without excluding the classics. Auburn is a technical college, a school of applied science, and, at the same time, a liberal college in the broadest sense.

"Fourth, an institution must have a faculty. It requires men to make men. The famous names of Tichenor, Broun, Smith, Sassnett, Dowdell, Stubbs, Ross, Dunklin, and others, who had contributed all that was best in them to the building up of the institution and to the education of our Southern youth were reviewed. No institution can boast a faculty of nobler men, men of more initiative or of culture. To the personal influence of these men and to the intimate relations subsisting always between the students and faculty at Auburn, the President attributed much of the success with which Auburn men have met in all walks of life.

"Lastly, a college must have students. That Auburn has always had a high class of students is attested by the positions her graduates now hold. Over 9000 students have crossed the threshold of this institution during the forty years of its existence. These men have gone out into the world in all professions—as lawyers, teachers, captains of industry, leaders of great industrial enterprises, intelligent and progressive farmers, developers of mines, architects, and have taken the place of leaders not only in this country but in almost every clime."

In closing, Dr. Thach said: "The richest asset of any college is the spirit of affection and loyalty of its sons. The Auburn spirit has prevailed mightily throughout the history of the institution. It made its past and assures its future."

Following Dr. Thach, Governor O'Neal welcomed the alumni on behalf of the State. His speech, like that of Dr. Thach, was a masterful effort. He dwelt upon the love of home and how that respect for home was the fundamental principle of civilization. He commended the work of Auburn and the service of her sons to the State. He then promised to cut the strings to the appropriation made for Auburn by the last legislature before any others were turned loose, and said that

he felt sure that he would be able to do so long before his term of office was out.

Mr. W. K. Terry welcomed the alumni in behalf of the board of trustees. He spoke upon three points: why the college was established, how it is performing its function, and how it can be made to serve its purpose better. He urged the alumni not to rest until the president had a suitable mansion, until the present frame gymnasium is replaced by one of brick in harmony with the other building, until a veterinary building is erected, and until the dormitory facilities of Auburn were greatly increased. His speech was delivered with feeling and was loudly applauded.

The responses were made by Dr. G. H. Price, '78; Rev. Walter C. Whitaker, '84, President W. M. Riggs, '93; Hon. T. F. Mangum, '83, and were much shorter than the preceding addresses.

DR. PRICE'S RESPONSE.

Mr. President: When the glad news of the "home-coming" of all the sons of our alma mater reached me my heart leaped for joy, as my mind ran back along the years since 1878. There passed in quick succession before me the most important events which came into the college life of every

student. The old familiar scenes and faces, the constant round of duties of class room and campus, of drill and sports, of victories won and lost, of stirring debates and glorious declamatory contests, of service in the "green squad" and official relation to the corps, and even now and then a glimpse of some social function when ardent swain poured forth his tale of love into the pink-tinted, external auricular appendage of some timid, but still quite attentive maiden fair.

I saw, in the now lengthening but still bright vistas of the past, the faces of comrades in arms, school mates, class mates and friends, and as each face passed before me in that panorama, it seemed to smile and say, "Come and meet me once again in dear old Auburn." I could not resist that call; it was too strong; it was compelling; it was irresistible.

My very soul burned within me, my heart beat revivelle, fall-in, then the march, but never taps to the happy thought of meeting you here today. Is it strange, then, that this love of things of the past, of those days which come not again, of those friends who yet remain and the memory of those who have gone on before, would have awakened in each of you as in me, the most ardent



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desire to gather again at the dearest spot in the college life of every one of us?

No, it is not strange, it is but natural, the outpouring of innate love, love which binds manhood to youth, the strongest link in the chain of life.

But not in my most sanguine moments, as the probable events of this day crowded in upon me, did I picture to their full measure the pleasures which now press one upon another in such rapid succession.

To be thus welcomed by the Governor of the State, by a special representative of the Board of Trust, and by the chief exponent of the faculty in the person of our beloved president, is indeed the consummation of events long to be remembered. To say that we appreciate these manifestations of good will and generous hospitality, would indeed fall far short of those feelings which crowd quickly up for utterance, calling upon us to express the great pleasure which pulsates in every heart in this vast audience.

Just think of it! the sons of old Auburn are gathered, after all these years, to receive afresh the benedictions of their alma mater, while they bow at her knee and feel again the tender touch of her gentle hand. The call has touched the hearts of all thy sons, oh, alma mater, and from out the length and breadth of this fair land, have they come to do thee honor. Out from the east, like the rising sun, with glowing torch in hand, emblem of light and power, once lighted at thy sacred altar and never to be extinguished, they come aglow with love and light to gladden this festal day.

Out from the West, where "bounteous nature's golden harvest" bows under its burden of perennial plenty, they come with choicest sheaves, of deeds well done, to lay at thy feet, oh, alma mater.

Out from the North, where neither snow nor ice, nor chilling blasts of boreas himself can cool the ardor of their love for thee, I see them come with ruddy cheek and rugged frame, anxious to receive thy latest blessing and words of commendation, oh, alma mater.

Out from the Southland, where linger those whose love, ah! tenderest tie, yet strongest bond, binds each to thee as to none other, come thy loyal sons from every walk of life.

I fancy I can see them come from where the tossing tassel of the deep green corn nods approval of their mission; from where King Cotton spreads a "milky way" to guide their footsteps back to thee; from where rugged mountains rise, rich in ores, whose iron pigs have made the world-wide markets squeal; whose rails have girdled the globe; whose wire doth "pour the full tide of eloquence

along" the land's bestrung highways; whose coal carries your commerce to waiting thousands, by land and sea; from each and all of these thy loyal and devoted sons have come to show thee reverence and feel again thy influence, oh, alma mater

And so, from out the East or West,
Or North or Southland near,
Thy sons have come to give thee best
Of all they hold most dear.

To thee they bring their honors gained,
From every walk of life,
And offer them with love unrestrained,
Nor marked by scar of strife.

Accept, we pray, this token true
Of love, we bear for thee,
For in these hearts there's none but you,
Nor shall there ever be—

Our alma mater.

Mr. Whitaker was very happy in his remarks, closing with the following incident: A lady, one of his parishioners, once remonstrated with him for moving the clock which faced him saucily every Sunday as he preached. He answered her by saying: "I am dealing with eternity, not time." She replied: "You needn't take all time to consider eternity, however."

President Riggs insisted that, for the time being anyway, he was no college president, but one of the boys. He quoted Scripture to attest his feeling in the matter, and the editor is still hunting for the passage.

Mr. Mangum spoke of the Auburn men who had contributed to the upbuilding of Texas and of their loyalty to Auburn.

THE BARBECUE AND CLASS REUNIONS.

The barbecue was one of the most enjoyable events of the day. The tables were built under the little grove in the rear of the Engineering Hall, and the alumni, former students and friends were admitted to them through the building. Pork, mutton, kid was never seasoned better and supplied in more abundance, and the little reunion family, once more like children, picnicked under the oak on their mother's lawn. The barbecue is a peculiarly Southern institution. It denotes much of the meaning of hospitality, picnic, celebration; and when a Sunday-school wishes to entertain all its members, or a successful candidate to honor his friends, there is nothing better than the genial savor of a Southern barbecue. The Home-Coming would not have been complete without it.

What's better than a smoke after a good dinner? By classes the old boys retired to the various sec-

tion rooms in the college building and the shady spots on the campus where, "with joy unfeigned, brothers and sisters" did meet and kindly "spier" "each for another's welfare." But "the social hours swift-winged, unnoticed," flitted away all too soon and the bugle call summoned the lingering bands to the Governor's review of the regiment. There was many a tale of "how we used to do it" in the days gone by that attested to the greatness of the past.

THE BASEBALL GAME.

If the baseball game between the two centuries was any evidence of "how we used to do it" I am afraid that the youngsters would lose faith in the tales of the past's greatness. But an exciting game it was. Arthur Redding, '91, was star catcher for the ancients. He increased his average by several sensational Kelly slides. "Doc" Butler, of football fame, despite his rotundity, circled the bases on a home-run with little trouble except shortness of breath. Slender, urbane Luscher, '04, with walking cane, succeeded in umpiring throughout the whole game without losing his temper or endangering his straw hat. Lack of space forbids further comment upon the exciting contest, except that the score was 37 to 25 in favor of the youngsters.

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

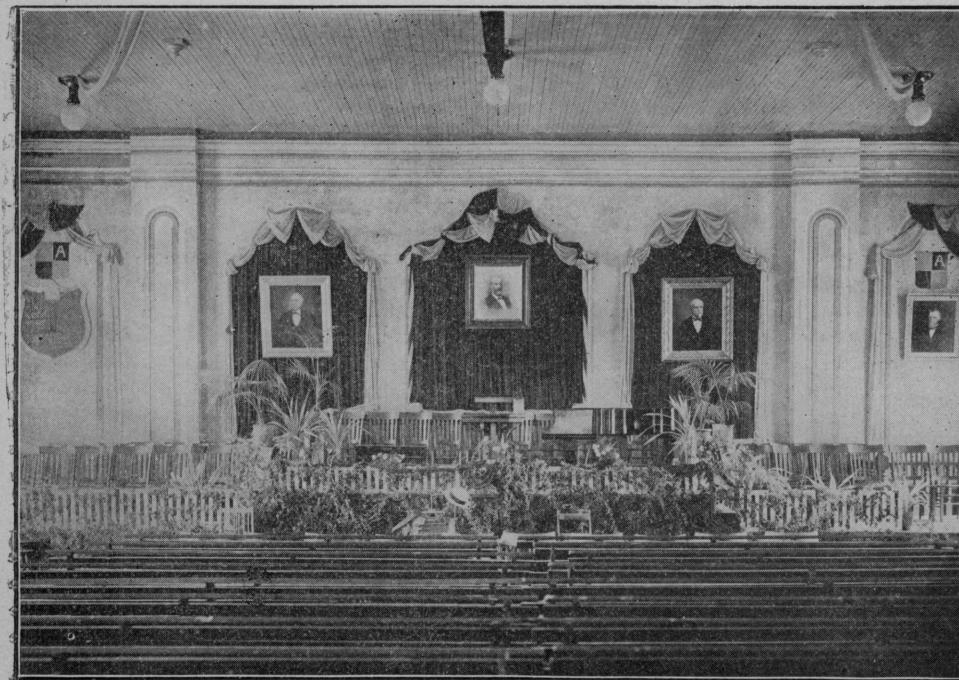
In the library, at 8 o'clock in the evening, the President's annual reception was held. Here nearly 1000 visitors called during the evening and paid their respects to Dr. and Mrs. Thach.

Decorations for the library were obtained from the horticultural department and from Montgomery, the color scheme being green and white. The decoration were placed under the direction of Mrs. Hinds, Mrs. Hobdy and Mrs. McAdory. Wurm's orchestra of Atlanta furnished the music.

Receiving with Dr. and Mrs. Thach were Dr. and Mrs. George Petrie, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Cary, Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Drake, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Ross Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wilmore, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Duggar and Colonel and Mrs. B. S. Patrick and Miss Allie Glenn.

At the same time, from 8 to 10 o'clock, "The Festival of Lights," was in progress. This glowing sentence from the Advertiser will give an idea of how the gala day of welcome was closed:

"With myriads of colored lights glimmering about the shaded Auburn campus, with a riot of color, life and animation rivalling a Venetian fete day in brightness, 'The Festival of Lights' closed the second day of the great Auburn commencement and home-coming week."



INTERIOR OF LANGDON HALL

TUESDAY

The Alumni Association went into business session at 9 o'clock. Here are the minutes of Secretary Webb:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, JUNE, 1913.

The Association met in Langdon Hall, 9 a. m., on June 2, 1913, with Thomas Bragg presiding.

The treasurer made the following report:

Total amount of notes	\$11,370.61
Balance on hand, June 3, 1912	\$ 78.43
Cash by subscriptions	73.00
Cash on notes	1296.80
Cash from dues	274.25
Cash on C. S. Yarbrough scholarship	100.00
Cash on Jewish loan scholarship	200.00
Cash on life memberships	170.00
Cash on banquet	252.65
Cash borrowed from bank	1135.00
Cash on Quarterly	2.00
Total cash receipts	\$3582.13
Total disbursements	3579.74
Cash on hand June 2, 1913	2.39
Total cash and notes	\$11,373.00
Total amount of notes due Bank of Auburn	999.31
Total	\$10,373.69

NEW MEMBERS ELECTED

The following were elected members of the Alumni Association: W. B. Paterson, Jr., Montgomery, Ala.; J. H. McCary, Birmingham, Ala.; W. O. Parmer, Nashville, Tenn.; Dan S. Martin, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. J. A. Lanford, New Orleans, La.; J. B. Barnett, Monroeville, Ala.; W. F. Herbert, Demopolis, Ala.; J. S. Reese, Pensacola, Fla.; J. F. Rutledge, Auburn, Ala.; A. M. McNeal, Montgomery, Ala.; N. L. Long, Kennedy, Ala.; Wm. J. Chase, Atlanta, Ga.; T. V. Walker, Washington, D. C.; W. J. Cameron, New Orleans, La.; W. M. Hurt, Auburn, Ala.; Frank Peabody, Montgomery, Ala.; James B. Ellis, Selma, Ala.; Dr. Jno. Edmonson, Birmingham, Ala.; Terry Greil, Montgomery, Ala.; Dave Kahn, Montgomery, Ala.; J. K. Haynie, Opelika, Ala.; H. A. Bedell, Opelika, Ala.; W. E. Matthews, Jr., Montgomery, Ala.

A committee composed of Champe S. Andrews, Roger Ap. C. Jones and John Purifoy, was appointed to audit the treasurer's books.

The Alumni Quarterly was made the official organ of the Alumni Association.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the thanks of the Alumni Association be and are hereby tendered to Messrs. B. L.

Shi and J. R. Rutland for their efficient and faithful work in editing and publishing the Alumni Quarterly.

Upon the motion of Champe S. Andrews, '94, the President of the Association was authorized to appoint a committee to discuss plans for the erection of a suitable alumni building, make estimates of cost, decide upon the kind of building, etc., and submit recommendations to the Alumni Association at its meeting next June.

A resolution requesting the Athletic Association of Auburn to renew former relations with the University of Alabama were tabled.

A resolution was passed requesting the students to wear their uniforms when they attend football games in a body in Atlanta, Birmingham, Mobile and other cities.

Announcement was made that an Alumni Association, known as the "Old Guard" had been formed. All members of the Alumni Association who graduated before 1880, or who had attended before that time, are eligible to membership in this organization.

The thanks of the Association were extended to the President of the Association, the Faculty, and the citizens of Auburn for the success of the Home-Coming occasion.

LIFE MEMBERS.

The treasurer reported that the following members had taken Life Memberships out since May, 1912: Dr. Edward Taylor, '03; S. A. Redding, '04; R. Ap. C. Jones, '87; R. D. Webb, '97; Thos. Bragg, '01; B. L. Shi, '04; C. C. Thach, '77; S. L. Toomer, '93; C. L. Hare, '91; B. B. Ross, '81; F. C. Atkinson, '02.

Life memberships taken out at the June meeting of the Alumni Association: Dr. Gaston Greil, '97; J. P. Oliver, '60; W. H. Bruce, '98; W. C. Martin, '00; W. O. Parmer, '73; F. G. Morris, '98; A. N. Culver, '00; E. H. Wills, '01; H. O. Sargent, '01; H. S. Doster, '89; T. F. Mangum, '83; C. H. Billingsley, '02; T. W. Morgan, '03; Judge E. J. Garrison, '80; L. G. Gresham, '05; W. M. Lacy, '07; John Wills, '95; J. N. McLean, '95; H. C. Nixon, '09; Dr. G. H. Price, '78; Geo. Bonduart, '95; O. E. Young, '05; J. H. McCary, '84; H. M. Hamill, '67; Dr. A. L. Harlan, '83; J. H. Holt, '93; C. C. Hare, '94; Miss Mary Robinson, '99; F. W. Hare, '98; Henry Luscher, '04; W. P. Pruitt, '03; John McDuffie, '04; John Purifoy, Jr., '97; Ralph Carlisle, '10; H. L. Martin, '80; Henry Skeggs, '01; Dr. L. W. Spratling, '86; L. G. Dawson, '78; Dr. W. S. Rutledge, '00; J. C. Street, '80; W. R. Holley, '08; Fred Curtis, '07; Macon Ellis, '08; C. C. Certain, '06.

(A life membership can be purchased for \$50. Life members are exempt from further dues to the Association.)

OFFICERS.

Rev. J. T. Mangum, '94, was elected orator for 1914. The following officers were re-elected.

Thos. Bragg, '01, President.

R. D. Webb, '97, Secretary-Treasurer.

Non-Resident Vice-Presidents: E. N. Brown, '82, Mexico City, Mexico; Francis C. Dillard, '75, Chicago, Ill.; E. A. Price, '80, Nashville, Tenn.; Arthur Redding, '94, Atlanta, Ga.; Oliver J. Semmes, Pensacola, Fla.

Alabama Vice-Presidents: B. B. Ross, '81, Auburn, Ala.; W. W. Pearson, '82, Montgomery, Ala.; C. W. Ashcraft, '88, Florence, Ala.; Roger P. C. Jones, '87, Selma, Ala.; J. Thos. Hefflin, '91, Washington, D. C.; Tracy Lay, '03, Gadsden, Ala.; Jno. V. Denson, '05, Opelika, Ala.; J. R. Rutland, '00, Auburn, Ala.; B. L. Shi, '04, Auburn, Ala.; M. A. Frazer, '06, Mobile, Ala.; Rev. Thomas Mangum, '94, Union Springs, Ala.; M. S. Sloan, '01, Birmingham, Ala.; Howard Lamar, '82, Jasper, Ala.

The Association adjourned.

R. D. WEBB, Secretary.

ALUMNI ORATION.

W. M. Williams, '97, Orator.

Mr. President, Members of the Alumni Association, Ladies and Gentlemen: A few months ago the call of our alma mater went forth, sounding to attentive ears and loving hearts, a "Home Coming." The call resounded all over this broad land and foreign countries, where Auburn's loyal sons and daughters were utilizing the training given them by their alma mater in developing the resources and promoting the interests of their respective native or adopted commonwealths, inviting us to return and commune together within the shadows of these hallowed walls. We responded and are now here in the midst of the happiest event in the history of this institution, renewing old friendships, clasping again the hands we loved to clasp in years gone by, looking again into faces that had become mere pleasant memories of the past, and living over again the happy days of youth. The result of this family reunion, my friends, will be far reaching and have its effect upon the future service that can and will be rendered by our alma mater; it has brought us closer together; it has caused us to know one another, and, in so doing, has increased our appreciation of the service rendered to each of us by this institution.

The word "SERVICE" is the motto of our Alumni Association.

When we observe past events of the world's history and study the purposes and theories of life, we must conclude that God has done no act without a purpose, and we are compelled at once to marvel at that Power which directs human events and bow in reverence and submission to that matchless Wisdom in which He, in the creation of things animate and as well as inanimate, expects service in return. It seems that service of some kind is the *quid pro quo* that is to be given for the privilege of existing or of being created. And every person or thing, in the end, so far as temporal affairs are concerned, is judged by service; and that such will be the measure as relates to the great hereafter seems to be equally true.

In the earlier days of this institution, Doctor Broun, to a gathering of the Auburn alumni, said: "Be loyal to your alma mater. It has a great work to perform for Alabama, and you, by cherishing this institution, can serve your State and nation."

When these words were spoken by him, Southern false pride burdened the good citizens of this State; it was a time when overalls and the grease of the workshop were shunned rather than courted as a means of education; at a time when a general belief prevailed that the only avenue to culture was classical education; at a time when the ambition of most parents was to give their son the empty honor of some one of the so-called learned professions, regardless of adaptability for that profession, and with the chance of that son not being able to make the salt that seasoned his bread. Our people seem to have been controlled by a spirit similar to that which slave-holding influences had spread throughout the old Greek republics, where lucrative arts and professions were considered unworthy of a freeman. It was Xenophon's idea that "most arts corrupted and enervated the bodies of those that exercised them." And Aristotle tells us that Diaphantes made a law at Athens that artisans should be slaves to the republic; and we find that Plato, in his laws, orders a citizen to be punished if he attempts to concern himself with a trade. Likewise, agriculture at ancient Athens was considered a servile profession, and generally practiced by the inhabitants of conquered countries, such as the Helotes among the Lacedaemonians, the Periecians among the Cretans, the Penestes among the Thessalians, and other conquered people in other republics.

On the other hand, we find in China the ancient custom or ceremony by which it was the duty of

the emperor every year to "open the ground," as it is called, the purpose of such public and solemn act being to incite the people to tillage; and each year the emperor was informed of the farmer who had most distinguished himself in his profession, and that farmer was promptly made a mandarin of the Eighth Order.

The services rendered by scientific and technical men have now dissipated the old belief that the only avenue to culture was classical education. Manual training has been added as a part of the curriculum of various schools throughout the country; and last week we witnessed the gratifying spectacle of the Governor of Alabama, following the idea of old Chinese custom, bestowing upon 203 boys of this State diplomas certifying to their distinction in the growing of corn as members of the Boys' Corn club.

You men of science and of affairs are rendering service in the twentieth century, which will no doubt be known as the Age of Science. The rapid increase of physical knowledge has been wonderful. There is scarcely a department of science or art the same as it was fifteen years ago. You have grown up in a new world of inventions, and are surrounded by, and constitute a live, impelling force in, a new world of ideas.

The establishment of "Ecole des Ponts," the first school of technology, for the training of engineers for the French government, has had almost universal influence, and the entire civilized world has awakened to the importance of training together the head, the heart and the hand. As the result, we have seen the government of the United States establish the United States Military Academy at West Point; and, in 1862, the Federal Congress, realizing the necessity for scientific and technical education, passed the Morrill Act—a godsend to the American youth—donating lands to the several states for the endowment and maintenance of at least one college for teaching agriculture and mechanic arts, without excluding classical studies, "in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life."

Six years later, Alabama accepted the donation provided for by the Act, and, in 1872, accepted from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the East Alabama Male College with its excellent equipment and formed the school of technology, now familiarly known as "Auburn."

Through years of untiring experiment this institution worked patiently but aggressively to overcome prejudice and unfounded skepticism until by the very force of her success she has compelled the admiration, not only of the State of

Alabama, but the entire nation. The old-time Alabama farmer, formerly wedded to the useless and antiquated ways, is even willing to be taught and to permit his sons to be taught scientific methods of farming. But this state of the farmer's mind was not brought about until Auburn had demonstrated her worth. The farmer now recognizes the fact that Auburn, in its practical application of chemistry, stands between him and fraudulent fertilizers, and protects him from inferior mixed foods, and he realizes that the service of this institution saves the farmers of this State hundreds of thousands of dollars each year from these sources alone. Skeptics and critics and self-styled practical men have been overcome by Auburn's practical experiments in raising 200 bushels of corn on the same acre of ground that had formerly produced 20 bushels; the most stubborn have been compelled to yield to demonstrations showing a yield of three bales of cotton to the acre, where one-half bale formerly grew.

Through the service of your Horticulture Department the farmers of this State are enabled to know the best varieties of fruits and vegetables to be grown in Alabama soil, and are taught methods of destroying insect enemies.

By the industry of your Department of Plant Pathology, the various crops in field, orchard and garden are guarded and protected.

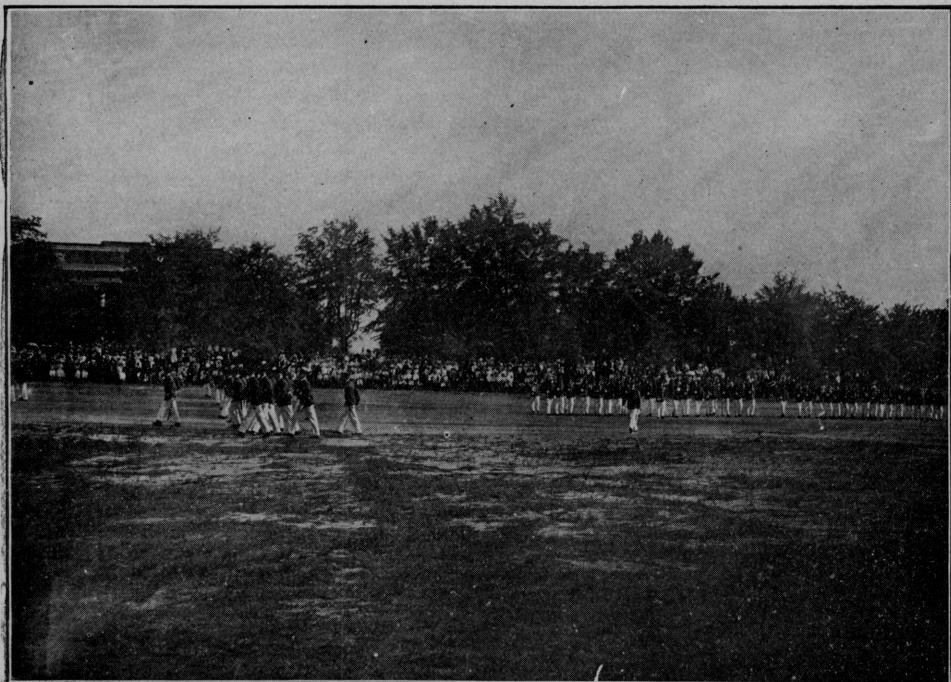
Your Departments of Veterinary Science and Animal Industry have for years stood guard for the cattle growers of the State, battling with and overcoming, by scientific methods, the dreaded cattle tick, and carrying to the farmers throughout the State the knowledge which enables them, by proper feeding and care, to produce poultry, cattle, swine and mules unexcelled in any other community.

Your Department of Agriculture has conducted and published more extensive and thorough investigations on cotton than any other experiment station in the entire world. In the words of the deputy minister of India, who recently made a tour of the United States in search of agricultural information, "Auburn is the recognized center of experimentation with cotton in the United States."

Auburn's eighteen years of practical and scientific investigation of the subject of inoculating clovers and other soil-improving plants has proven the practicability of successfully growing clover, vetches, alfalfa and other forage crops in the South, thereby laying the foundation for the cheapest method of soil-improvement, and for the up-building of the livestock industry, and a rational system of diversified agriculture.



GOVERNOR O'NEAL AND STAFF



REGIMENTAL REVIEW

The members of your Entomological Department are now active in enforcing the quarantine regulations to prevent the artificial and rapid spread of the destructive boll weevil, and the farmers, merchants and land owners of this State are hopefully looking to this institution to save them millions of dollars.

In performance of trusts confided in her by the Federal Congress and the State of Alabama, Auburn's several departments of mechanical engineering, electrical engineering and schools of science have been equally active, and, too, classical and general education have not been neglected, and each year we see our alma mater sending forth, as graduates, young men and women of scientific and technical, as well as general and classical education, with loyal hearts and such training as to immediately cause them to occupy positions of trust and honor in affairs of business, and the different vocations and professions of life. This institution, under the careful guidance of the men brought here by a wise Board of Trustees, untouched by the intrigues of politics, year after year and decade after decade, has grown to be, in the words of a recent governor of this State, "the most valuable single asset of the State of Alabama."

The factory interests, the farms, the lumber industry, the mines, the animal and stock industries, have all been benefitted by the service of this institution; and, it is to be remarked, that the most rapid growth of each of these interests begins with the expiration of the experimental stage of this institution, and with the beginning of activity and service of its alumni.

In 1880, the manufactured products of this State amounted to only \$13,566,000; in 1890, they jumped to \$51,227,000; in 1912, they amounted to \$180,000,000.

In 1880, the farm products of this State amounted to \$56,873,000; in 1890, they reached \$91,377,900; and, in 1912, they were of the value of \$184,186,000.

A little more than twenty years ago the output of Alabama's mines amounted to considerably less than \$1,000,000; and, in 1912, they were nearly \$50,000,000. In the operation of one mine in Alabama where forty scientific men are employed, thirty-seven of them are your brother alumni.

Major Zebulon M. Pike, when many miles distant in the plains, discovered the peak that was afterwards to bear his name, and it then required him ten-days ride to reach its base, and after vigorous attempts to scale it, he declared that "no human being could ascend to its pinnacle." Snow-capped and mysterious it had stood

throughout the myriad of years that spanned the cycles of antiquity, a noble monument to nature, triumphant over human endeavor; but now the once mysterious and awe inspiring peak can be reached from almost any point in the United States within five days time, over the numerous modern railroads that cover the entire country like the thread of a spider's web; on reaching the mountain we find ourselves carried from its base along its almost perpendicular and rugged sides to its top by means of a railroad train, and on reaching there one's thirst is quenched by coffee heated by electricity and his hunger is satisfied by food cooked on electrical apparatus; a message started out from there on the lines of the Western Telegraph Company may be relayed around the world. On descending from the peak, within one-half hour's time after arriving there, one may purchase a modern newspaper at the home office, 7,000 feet high on the mountain side, containing the flattering news that the purchaser, a distinguished citizen of some place has visited the peak—that peak no longer a mysterious monument to nature, but a monument to mechanical engineering, to electrical engineering, to practical telegraphy, to the art of printing, to science and technical education.

As the study and application of pure science to particular classes of problems have advanced, it has been the custom of self-styled practical men and modern humanists to say that technical and scientific men are of narrow views; but it is now universally admitted that the graduates of technical institutions of today have the foundation for a broad and general education. However, it is a fact that cannot be denied, you men of science and affairs are, as a rule, too intent on your work to acquire a practical and sufficient knowledge of social problems and questions of general interest affecting your state and nation. We are too apt to fall in line with the reckless expression of some well meaning idea and ignorantly rush it to revolutionary extremes, without realizing the effect that our conduct has on the minds of the vicious. It is unusually the want of general knowledge on the part of our men of affairs that brings about serious conflict between the different elements of our social organization. It is a principle of political economy, based on sound reasoning and common sense, that co-operation gains success. The advancement of industry does not depend alone on education, but it rests as well upon the co-operation of the captains of industry with the privates in ranks; of the employer with employees; of the land owner with the tenant. Between these elements there must be accord as to social action,

which can be obtained only by familiarity with conditions. We must realize that the natural laws relating to the equilibrium of forces apply to social phenomena as well as to mechanics, and that political freedom cannot exist unless social organizations conform to those laws.

Neither the fertility of the soil, nor wealth nor natural resources can alone make a nation. No country climbs higher than its average citizenship. The most valuable assets of a commonwealth consist of its boys and girls, who, in later years must control the destiny of the nation. As Woodrow Wilson has happily expressed it: "America is surely great; not because she has great men in her now, but only as she can make sure of having great men in the next generation." The recent published report of the factory inspector of this State, who is an alumnus of this institution, begins with the following statement: "The laws pertaining to the employment of children are conspicuous by their ambiguity, inefficiency inexplicability and inadequacy." He pictures, in his report, a little girl of twelve years, poorly fed and insufficiently clad, wending her way in the darkness of the early morning and late evening to and from her tasks of eleven hours each day, and he asks in the name of humanity if she is not entitled to receive, at the hands of her employer, an equal consideration that the "farmer gives a young colt or calf."

"Work," says Macaulay, "is the grand cure for all the maladies and miseries that beset mankind." Work, honest work, makes character. I do not believe that work, as such, is harmful to children; but their safety should be guarded by safe machinery and appliances; their health should be protected by proper laws regulating ventilation and the kinds of work in which they shall engage; the hours of employment should be limited, and the children should be given every opportunity for education. Humanity, as well as the future welfare of the commonwealth, demands that the State extend to them every reasonable protection in its power and give to them every available opportunity for preparation for the assumption of the duties of citizenship.

The laws relating to child labor have been on statute books of this State for several years. If they are inadequate, as the State official just quoted declares them to be, are you, as citizens of this State, rendering full service when you permit them to remain in their present condition? In so important a question as child labor, do you render full service to the State and to humanity when you do not know the provisions of those laws? The average citizen is too much inclined

to leave such questions in the hands of political agitators, who, in a great many instances, use such questions merely for personal preferment.

These questions are rarely discussed among you men of science and business, unless they are made political issues. When your congressman or senator returns home between sessions, it is important that you should be able to discuss intelligently with them such questions as the proper use of the Panama canal; and, apart from questions of international law, you should be able to give them the benefit of your practical knowledge and common sense on such questions as the justice and feasibility of the one State passing a law discriminating against the citizens of foreign countries, generally, and of one country in particular. I imagine that there is no influence brought to bear on our governmental representatives, supporting them in their belief of what is right and wrong, so strong as the opinion of the citizens of their respective homes. If we are to restrain the evils that are inseparable from the good in our political freedom, promote government, and advance social conditions to a higher plane, and to maintain the necessary equilibrium between the different elements and insure a continuance of the blessings of liberty, such men as you must undertake and perform political functions; and such questions should be dealt with in the same manner that a question of science or business is handled—in the exercise of care and meditation, shunning undue haste and partisan prejudice in the one as you would in the other. When you men of affairs obtain sufficient knowledge of and do full duty to matters relating to social problems and questions of general interest, the day of the demagogue and political boss will be over; but until you do, men will come and go spasmodically who wish, in their extreme ideas of reform, to reconstruct or obliterate the constitution, to lower or raise the standards of equality and convert this government into a pure democracy or a pure aristocracy or a hybrid of unknown pedigree; and the mass of our citizens will, in the future, as they have been in the past, be led from one false position to another, giving ear to speeches of demagogues and accepting their baked ideas as gospel without a respectful knowledge of the theories that they espouse.

In the improvement of manufacturing processes and scientific farming you are increasing the wealth of the country at an amazing rate. The total wealth of our country, at the beginning of the present year, was one hundred and fifty billion dollars. In 1900, it was eighty billion dollars; in 1890, it was sixty-five billion dollars; and, in 1860, it was only sixteen billion dollars. In the matter of

acquiring wealth, nature, with some exceptions, is just to all mankind. She renders them industrious by administering the rewards in proportion to ability and service, and repays them for their industry. But wealth, unfortunately, often brings too much luxury, and the minds of people turn towards their own particular interests in proportion as luxury gains ground. A soul depraved by luxury is soon alienated from God and from country, and becomes an enemy to the laws of its Creator, as well as to the laws of man. The Roman empire, by arduous efforts, arose in splendor; but, corrupted by luxury, it crumbled in failure.

As wealth increases, ambition grows stronger. We are living in a time of unrest, which unrest, among classes, is caused by increase of wealth. You men of affairs, by your own efforts in multiplying wealth, unconsciously increase wealth. The successful, excited by triumph, seek more and obtain more, and armed with its power often forget charity, and sometimes even trample upon the rights of the unfortunate, thereby breeding discontent and inclinations, which, if not curbed, result in desperation, anarchy and acts of violence. It is only by a knowledge and understanding of social problems and questions of general interest that a proper balance-wheel may be maintained and this government continued a government of laws, and not of men. In our political organization, we find three departments: judicial, legislative and executive, it being the purpose that each shall be a check on the other. But above each of these departments is the power vested in the people, and we must remember that the officials in each department come from the people and are controlled, in a great measure, by the expressions of our representative citizens.

In this great association of states and persons, in its last analysis, the United States of America, formed for the purpose of promoting the general welfare and securing the blessings of liberty to its individual members and posterity, we each hold a certificate of membership, guaranteeing to us a protection of life, liberty and property, the value of which certificate and the dividends which may be declared thereon, in happiness and prosperity, depend upon the service rendered by each other, and that guarantee will continue only so long as the constitution in which it is written is intelligently supported by our representative men of affairs—in performance of full service to God and to fellowman. Polonius to Laertes said: "This above all: to thine own self be true, and it must follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

Lord Bacon is credited with the statement,

"the life of execution of affairs resteth in the choice of persons * * * that the greatest errors are committed and most judgment shown in the choice of individuals." The service rendered by this institution to the state and to the nation proves the wisdom of your trustees in selecting to conduct the affairs of this institution during a decade of untried experiment, the able Dr. Tichenor and the learned Dr. Boyd and the faculty who served with them. The services of this institution prove the sound judgment of the trustees in selecting as their successor a man, to whose master mind and wisdom and prudence is attributable the wonderful development and growth of this institution during a later period, Dr. Wm. Leroy Broun, and his assistants. That service demonstrates the good sense of your trustees in retaining at the head of the department of mathematics of this institution, for more than a quarter of a century, the noble, patient and loyal Dr. O. D. Smith. And their sound judgment is further illustrated in retaining the present faculty under the leadership of the efficient, brilliant and tactful Dr. Thach. The men whom I have mentioned and those who worked with them in the up-building of this institution have rendered service as men of science and culture and citizens, for which the state and nation, and each of you, individually, can never make full payment. In the lives of such men, we find practical illustrations of the standard of service given by our Savior in these words: "Whosoever will be great among you let him be your minister, and whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant."

Ever keep before you the motto of our Alumni Association, "Service," which, to us, means the performance of full duty to God, to country and for Auburn.

THE BANQUET.

The business meeting of the Alumni Association, which began at 9 a. m., adjourned for the alumni oration and met again at 12 o'clock.

After a most enthusiastic meeting, including a speech from "Tut" Paden, which was the hit of the day, and many lively tilts over matters now calmly recorded on the minutes, the largest gathering of Auburn alumni ever assembled adjourned for the banquet.

The menu was probably the best served in years. Mr. J. W. Williams was the caterer.

All the pleasurable sensations from "Barkis is willin'" to "serenely full, the epicure would say," were experienced. Between courses the merry oastmaster, Champe S. Andrews, '94, gave us many reminders of absent speakers and alumni by

reading telegrams of regret of inability to be present, and notes of congratulation on the jubilee festivities, after which came the speakers. Congressman Heflin and the governor were absent.

Here is the program as it was carried out:

Alabamian to the Manor Born—C. W. Ashcraft, '86.

My Old Days at Auburn—J. B. Ellis, '81.

The Ballot—W. W. Pearson, '82.

What's the Use? (Education)—Dr. Howard M. Hamill, '67.

The Future—Dr. C. C. Thach, '77.

Impromptus by R. D. Lumsden, '60; E. W. Solomon, '72, and the toastmaster.

The speeches were all good. If any speakers received more applause than others, they were Lumsden, a member of the first class of the old college, and Solomon, a member of the first class of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The toastmaster's closing words were eloquent and went home to the hearts of loyal sons and friends of Auburn. The subject of his speech might be "Why I came to Auburn and why I expect to send my sons to Auburn." It is sufficient to say that this speech was a happy and fitting climax to the whole program.

PRIZES DELIVERED TUESDAY EVENING

Sword for best drilled company—Capt. B. Shaver, Company G, Montgomery, Ala.

Best drilled soldier in the battalion—J. M. White, Montgomery, Ala.

Excellence in architectural drawing—S. H. Wellborn, Union Springs, Ala.

Excellence in freshman drawing—J. H. Arnold, Collinsville, Ala.

Excellence in sophomore drawing—A. E. Hays, Union Springs, Ala.

Best debater Websterian Society—J. K. Campbell, Tuskegee, Ala.

Best debater Wirt Society—W. H. Hudson, Ashland, Ala.

THE BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS.

Owing to the absence of Edward Allsworth Ross, who missed the train in Cincinnati, and could not get to Auburn in time for his appointment, Champe S. Andrews, '94, delivered the commencement address. He developed three associated themes in the course of his talk to the graduating class. He discussed first the doctrine of a continuing personality in life; his second point was the importance of fitting life into its



SENIORS MARCHING INTO LANGDON HALL TO RECEIVE THEIR DEGREES

proper sphere; his last point was the necessity of reaching the highest possible degree of efficiency in the line of work selected. Under the second topic he advanced the idea that schools should give more attention to heredity. He said that "the hereditary characteristics of the student's family should be made the subject of special study in order to determine, by investigations of his hereditary tendencies, the work for which he will develop an inclination." He prophesied that the importance of this hereditary influence would be recognized by the leading educators in the days to come.

This talk was one of the most interesting and original delivered during the commencement. It was couched in the simplest language and was bristling with great thoughts. We do not feel that Dr. Ross would have made the occasion more enjoyable or have delivered more inspiring words to the young graduates.

The next event was the conferring of degrees. When this was done, and the usual announcements were made, the great Home-Coming Commencement was over.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

After reviewing the past year's work, the president, in his report to the Board of Trustees, enumerated the absolutely imperative needs of the college. Summarized, they are as follows:

Infirmary	\$15,000
Equipment for power plant	10,000
Equipment for elec. and mech. eng'ing	4,000
Farm machinery building	5,000
Equipment for agr. hall and laboratories	5,000
Seats for auditorium	3,000
Steam heat for main building	5,000
Chemical building	60,000
Veterinary building	30,000

Other important demands, which the president mentioned, were the following:

An up-to-date gymnasium, modern Young Men's Christian Association building, and better and more dormitory facilities.

HONORED DEAD.

Due to the thoughtfulness of Hagood Paterson, '05, those members of the Auburn faculty who died in the service and who lie buried in the pretty Auburn cemetery, were not forgotten by the loyal members of the alumni.

Graves of these dear old men who have passed to the Great Beyond have been decorated with wreaths of immortelles, furnished by the Rosemont gardens. A committee composed of Dr. B.

B. Ross, J. H. Paterson of Montgomery, and Arthur Redding of Atlanta, placed the flowers in the cemetery. Those whose graves were decorated were President William Leroy Brown, Dr. O. D. Smith, Dr. N. T. Lupton, General James H. Lane, Lieutenant John Wills, Prof. B. B. Ross, Sr., Prof. John T. Dunklin, Treasurer E. T. Glenn, Prof. Charles H. Ross, Prof. E. L. Thornton, and Prof. P. F. Williams.

THE HUTCHINSON WIRELESS STATION.

After the oration, Miller Reese Hutchinson, '97, formally presented the wireless outfit to the college on Tuesday, and it was accepted, amid enthusiastic applause, by President Thach in a very happy speech. Hutchinson read and delivered to the President the first message transmitted, which was as follows:

"Mr. Thos. A. Edison, Orange, N. Y.: This wireless message formally christens the two and a half kilowat wireless apparatus which I have this day presented to the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in commemoration of the first home-coming of the alumni. The president, the faculty, the alumni, and the student body join with me in expressing love and esteem to the father of electric development. Miller Reese Hutchinson."

THE '97 SUN DIAL.

In behalf of the Class of 1897, J. B. Hobdy presented to the college, in an eloquent speech, a sundial, which is now situated near the walk on the south side of Main Building. The gift was designed and made by Prof. M. Thomas Fullan, a member of the class. Such gifts should be examples and incentives to other classes.

LOVING CUP PRESENTED TO THOMAS BRAGG.

In token of their appreciation of his loyalty to Auburn and his work for the Alumni Association and the home-coming, Tom Bragg's friends gave him a loving cup, inscribed to the "Original Home-Comer." Dr. Hamill presented it, amid volley after volley of applause, in his inimitably happy manner. In closing he quoted the following lines which, as he said, he composed after going to the rostrum:

You may go through the North, the East and the South,

And out through the far distant West,
Call the names of the men in every one's mouth,

Of the men who are doing their best;
Whoever these be, one think you may reck,
The men at the top are those from our "Tech,"
And far in the front, upholding its flag,
Is a jolly good fellow, whose name is Tom Bragg.

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A member of the faculty of a Southern University asked an Auburn alumnus some time ago how Auburn's Academic Standing it happened that Auburn turned out so many teachers of history, English, and other academic subjects. It happens that this University has on its faculty at present a professor of history and a professor of economics who are graduates of Auburn. Two members of their English faculty in times past have been graduates of Auburn. To an outsider this may seem strange but to those who are familiar with the ideals of Auburn expect that leaders in academic circles shall always be numbered among its graduates. Dr. Broun always contended wisely that there was as much culture in scientific training as there was in academic training in the old college subjects. It is not at all surprising

that a man who has studied science or has had a scientific education should be also a man of literary ability or an authority on history. The atmosphere of Auburn has always been conducive to the development of the literary spirit. That is why Auburn numbers among its graduates so many college presidents, so many college professors, and so many leading public school men. Auburn has made a larger contribution to the ranks of Alabama's leading teachers than any other institution in the state.

One reason probably that this spirit has been kept alive at Auburn is that it once was a school erected on the old ideals of education. The old college was strictly an academic institution. Therefore, in a certain sense we have a tradition which keeps us to a high standard of literary excellence. But this could not be perpetuated without a faculty with literary attainments and with power to develop and encourage literary art and study. Without question Dr. Geo. Petrie is the best teacher of history in a Southern college. No one so far as our information goes has done more for the writing of Southern history or inspired more young men to develop research ability. Then there is Dr. Thach who has probably assisted more men to develop appreciation of literature than probably any other teacher of English connected with a Southern institution. It was in his classroom that the lamented Dr. Chas. H. Ross got the inspiration that carried him to Johns Hopkins and kept him there until he took his Doctor's degree. It was in his classroom that Mr. C. C. Certain, '06, now head of the department of English in the Birmingham High School, got his training. Between the days of these two men, there came hosts of others. Dr. Chas. Ross, himself, is to be numbered among those who have given this institution its high standard of literary atmosphere. A number of others might be mentioned like Southall, Wilmore, Duggar, Ross, Wiatt, Dunstan, who are still here to cultivate in Auburn students the spirit of literary culture and refinement. It might be added that Auburn is probably the only technical school in the South whose course of study requires English throughout the four years. In

a great many technical institutions English and languages are considered merely subsidiary to the scientific studies. At Auburn these subjects receive as much attention as they do in purely literary colleges. These are some of the reasons why Auburn men rank high in the academic world.

At its last meeting the Alumni Association authorized President Thomas Bragg,

Alumni Building to appoint a committee to make plans for a memorial building. This committee, which

will probably consist of thirty-five or forty alumni, will consider the best methods of raising funds for this project, the kind of building, and the estimate of cost, and will report at the next meeting in June, 1914. There was some difference of opinion as to the kind of building. It seems that a majority favored a gymnasium, but a large number thought that an alumni building which contained dormitory rooms, student club rooms, alumni picture gallery, etc., would be more dignified and appropriate. It was, therefore, decided that the committee should take these matters under advisement and report their decision to the Association. It is quite probable that an expression of opinion from all alumni will be requested. The college is badly in need of both a well equipped gymnasium and more extensive dormitory facilities. There is one question on which all are agreed and that is that this building shall cost not less than \$50,000 and shall be a first-class, well-equipped building in every respect.

During the last commencement an organization called "The Old Guard" was

Organizations Within The Association formed by those alumni present who were graduates of at least twenty-five years' standing. Al-

though the organization has not published a constitution, by-laws and a statement of its purposes, the institution should be significant as the beginning of a series of more intimate groups of alumni within

the general Alumni Association. In our opinion there should be at least five other subordinate organizations: (1) Woman's Division; (2) Agricultural and Chemical Division; (3) Veterinary Division; (4) Academic Division, and (5) Engineering Division. Each division should have a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. Such subordinate associations will bring in closer personal touch Auburn men of the same professions without at all disturbing their loyalty to the general Association. In addition to this these smaller organizations will be able in many respects to do more effective work than the general Association. In case this suggestion should be carried out, it will not be necessary to increase the dues of those alumni affiliating with the subordinate bodies. A man who is in good standing in the Alumni Association should be considered a member of his division in good standing also. We congratulate, therefore, the members of "The Old Guard" for having initiated this movement. We shall be glad to publish at any time any facts about this and other similar organizations and wish for it a most successful career.

The Editor and Business Manager take this opportunity of thanking the members

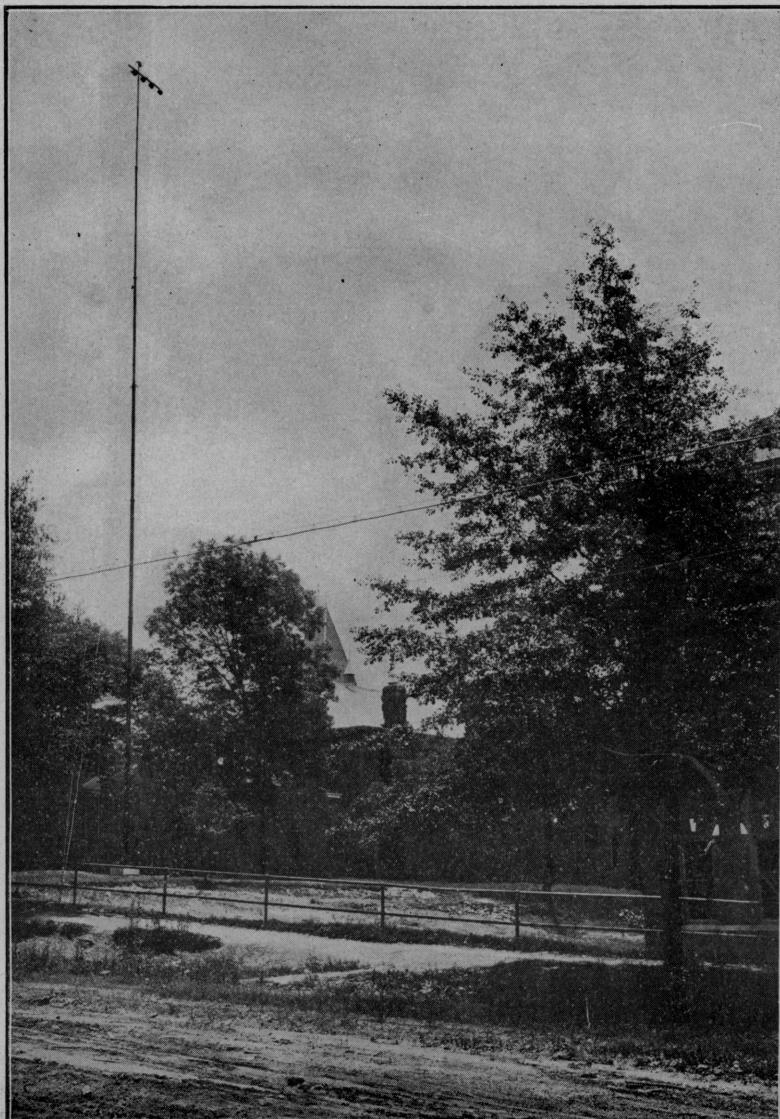
How You Can Help Us of the Alumni Association for the vote of approval recorded in the minutes of the June

meeting. The work of publishing the Quarterly has been a great pleasure. However, we wish to remind loyal Auburn alumni that our success is due almost entirely to the co-operation of the officers and members of the Association. For the coming year we expect to print ten issues instead of four, and, therefore, most earnestly bespeak, what we feel sure we will get, a continuance of your good will and assistance.

There are a number of ways in which Auburn men can help the alumni paper give greater satisfaction to its subscribers. (1). It is impossible for the editors to find out everything that concerns the alumni and former students. Consequently news of births, deaths, promotions, and honors, should be given to the Alumnus

by those who have information about them. (2). Contributions are always welcome whether articles or letters discussing topics which alumni believe ought to be mentioned or interesting photographs. We are always interested in groups of alumni and will be able to print a large number of them. (3). Alumni everywhere should help us enlarge our subscription list. No former student should allow his subscription to lapse and he should encourage others to subscribe. (4). The Quarterly will need a large number of reputable advertisers in order to be able to

publish a good magazine. Therefore, we will appreciate any help our friends can give us in securing this trade. We wish especially to call to the attention of the alumni our professional cards for Auburn men. The rate for such a card is less than the regular advertising rate, and we hope that a large number of alumni will avail themselves of this opportunity to make our magazine a success. (5). We shall be glad to receive at any time suggestions toward the improvement of the paper. The editors are a pretty busy set of people and your aid in these directions will be gratefully received.



THE WIRELESS

COLLEGE NEWS

DEGREES CONFERRED.

Auburn conferred 123 degrees in June. Of this number 79 were Bachelors of Science, 17 graduates of Pharmacy, and 11 Doctors of Veterinary Medicine. Among the post-graduate degrees were 8 Masters of Science, 4 Civil Engineers, and 4 Electrical Engineers.

Notable among the above are four professional degrees conferred upon the following alumni:

David King Caldwell, '09.

Roger Barton McWhorter, '09.

Fletcher Jackson Thagard, '07.

Miller Reese Hutchinson, '97.

Caldwell receives the degree of C. E. on highway work done in Elmore and Montgomery counties where he has attracted especial attention as a bridge builder. He is at present county engineer for Elmore county.

McWhorter based his thesis, as a part of the work for the degree of C. E. on his experience as United States engineer at Hale's Bar Lock Dam, Guild, Tenn.

Thagard, who received the degree of Electrical Engineer, based his thesis on work done in the Greenville and Union Springs power houses. He is at present superintendent of the Light and Power Company at Union Springs, Ala.

The other recipient of the degree of Electrical Engineer was Miller Reese Hutchinson, '97, who is at present chief engineer to and personal representative of Thomas A. Edison. Hutchinson holds about 500 patents on electrical and mechanical contrivances which he has patented. Notable among these are the Acousticon, which has received recognition at home and abroad, and the Klaxon automobile horn, the rights to which he sold a few days ago for the large sum of \$600,000. Auburn is justly proud of him, and his friends believe that he is second only to the wizard, Edison, as an inventive genius.

S. J. SMITH, NEW Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY

Sam Jones Smith, a recent graduate of the University of Oklahoma and last year a graduate student of Yale, has been elected general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. He succeeds Mr. E. S. King, who goes to Vanderbilt next session. Smith has had considerable experience as a Y. M. C. A. worker, and is expected to carry on the good work which King has so successfully inaugurated.

The debt on the building lot, owned by the trustees of the association, is nearly paid for, and it is expected that a building campaign will be begun before the end of next session. Here is a project for "old Auburn" that ought to appeal to her sons.

SUMMER SESSION.

As THE ALUMNUS goes to press, the attendance upon the Summer Session seems likely to exceed all expectations. An interesting innovation, in connection with the Farmers' Summer School and Summer Session, is "The Rural Life Conference." Two or three lectures a day for one week will be given on subjects relating to the improvement of rural life. It is expected that these lectures will start, like pebbles thrown in a stream, many little wavelets of reform and improvement. They begin August 4. Advertise them, friends of Auburn.

POST-GRADUATE ASSISTANTS.

The following men have recently been elected by the faculty as assistants for the session 1913-14:

History—A. B. Moore, '11, Fayette, Ala.

Agriculture—O. L. Howell, '14, Dover, Tenn.

Library—J. A. Parrish, '10, Wedowee, Ala.

English and History—C. R. Wood, '12, Hamilton, Ala.

Civil Engineering—C. B. Moore, '13, Marion, Ala.

Animal Industry—A. R. Gissendanner, '11, Pinckard, Ala.

Mining Engineering—A. F. Castagnoli, '13, Blocton, Ala.

Machine Design and Drawing—J. G. Sparkes, '13, Birmingham, Ala.

Mechanic Arts—A. Z. Heard, '13, Auburn, Ala.

Registrar's Office—D. L. Taylor, '13, Auburn, Ala.

Architecture—J. B. Lovelace, '13, Brewton, Ala.

Chemistry—C. W. Watson, '13, Neenah, Ala.

Forge Shop—J. F. Schone, '12, Germany.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS.

Prof. H. B. Massey, of Clemson College, S. C., has been elected assistant professor of botany to fill the position recently made vacant by Prof. C. S. Ridgway, who resigned to go into government work. Prof. Massey comes to Auburn from Clemson where he has been associate professor of botany and bacteriology. Prior to his connection with Clemson he was with the University of Florida. He is a graduate of the North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College.

H. B. Tisdale, '11, Hamilton, Ala., assistant recorder of local experiments.

G. V. Stelzenmuller, '13, Point Clear, Ala., field agent in horticulture.

Prof. R. D. Webb, professor of rhetoric and composition at the A. P. I., is assisting Mr. Leon C. Palmer, secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, in his work of increasing the efficiency of the Sunday schools of the State. Mr. Webb will spend the month of August traveling from county to county.

THE ALUMNI

FARM LIFE READERS

One of the most interesting contributions to school book lists is Farm Life Readers, fourth and fifth grades, published by Silver, Burdett & Company, adopted by the Alabama Textbook Commission as first supplementary readers for the next five years. The names on the title pages—L. B. Evans, Superintendent of Schools, Augusta, Ga., L. N. Duncan, '00, Professor of School Agriculture, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and G. W. Duncan, '98, representative of the publishers—promise good things and the contents fully measure up to the promise.

It is the belief of the authors that school books influence children greatly and that country children should get through them encouragement and help to uplift country life and to make the rural districts as desirable for a home as the town. These readers propose to furnish the pupils as good literature for practice in reading as others readers and they have it. The selections include some of the best prose and poetry chosen with the definite purpose of giving the child a proper appreciation of the country life and farming. In addition to this they promise to enlarge the reader's ideas of country life by showing him what freedom, health, and prosperity may come to those who farm with intelligence and industry, and to teach many fundamental principles underlying successful farming. Besides good prose and poetry from writers known for their love of rural life and delights there are numerous articles on the art of farming which should give young farmers a good start in the business of practical, scientific farming. These lessons in agriculture are made easy and interesting by excellent photographs and drawings.

Furthermore, the books are replete with illustrations, many of them prints of famous paintings, calculated to inspire a love of nature and a pride in country life. They are almost certain to create greater interest in learning to read among country children.

Auburn is justly proud to own two of these authors, Luther Noble Duncan and George Webster Duncan. It is attractive

to many of us because the photographs give familiar scenes and folk. Two poems from Auburn poets, "A Song of Simpler Things," by Clarence Ousley, '81, and "The Way of Cotton," by Professor O. D. Wannamaker, now head of the Department of English at Auburn, will prove interesting to our readers.

CAPTAIN LUMSDEN

Among the many loyal alumni, who were present at the Home-Coming Commencement, was Capt. B. D. Lumsden, Macon, Ga., of the class of '60. He is one of the only two surviving graduates of this class, the other being Rev. Fisk Glenn of Atlanta, Ga. Prior to the receipt of the Home-Coming Proclamation the Captain said that he was thinking of attending the Confederate Reunion at Chattanooga, which took place at the time of the Commencement at Auburn, but that the appeal of his Alma Mater was so strong that he concluded at once to visit the old college.

Capt. Lumsden was born at Eatonton, Putnam County, Georgia, on March 17, 1840. He received his education in private schools, spent two years at Mercer University, which was then located at Penfield, Ga., and later took his degree at Auburn, then the old East Alabama Male College. After graduation he taught a private school in Macon and the following year was elected principal of Vineville Academy.

In May, 1861, he resigned his position in the academy and went to the front as a corporal in Floyd's Rifles, a military company then in Macon. After serving two years in this company he was transferred to Bibb's Cavalry, Phillips' Georgia Legion, Hampton's Brigade. He later returned to Georgia and organized Company B, 5th Georgia Reserves, and was elected captain. His company and regiment surrendered to General Sherman at the last battle of the war at Brownsboro, North Carolina.

He has promised to send the college an oil painting of himself which has a very interesting history. He states that during the war a number of Federal soldiers were held prisoners in the old fair grounds at Macon, and that one day when he was

officer in charge a young Federal lieutenant told him that if he would secure the necessary material he would paint his picture. Some paint and canvas were secured from the Captain's sister, Mrs. Tom Hardeman, of Macon, and after several sittings the painting was completed. It was said to have been an excellent likeness of the young captain.

Capt. Lumsden now lives on his plantation near Macon, Ga. He has been married twice. He has four children, two boys and two girls, all of whom are married.

GRADUATES IN LAW AND MEDICINE

The following Auburn men graduated in law at the University of Alabama last June: James Esdale, '07; G. O. McGehee, '09; M. A. Frazer, '06; W. R. Martin, '10, and S. P. Poyner, '11.

The following men graduated at Mobile as doctors of medicine: A. F. J. Boyd, '09; M. J. Lingo, '10, and H. L. McWhorter, '09.

The following men are junior law students: N. D. Denson, '06 and W. H. Joiner.

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF HOME-COMERS

The following is a list of the States that were represented at the Home-Coming Commencement:

Alabama, New York, Georgia, South Carolina, District of Columbia, Florida, Texas, Tennessee, Louisiana, Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey, North Carolina, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, California, Mississippi, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Virginia.

It is interesting to note that every Southern State furnished a representative. To W. H. McBride, '97, of Pinole, Contra Casta County, Calif., belongs the distinction of having made the longest trip of any alumnus to be present at the Home-Coming exercises. McBride is Assistant Superintendent of the DuPont Powder Company's plant at the above place.

A rather amusing incident occurred at the banquet in this manner. The toastmaster was reading a list of the States that were represented but overlooked mentioning Alabama, when some one at the tables asked in a tone of voice that

could be heard all over the hall, "Isn't there any one here from Alabama?"

ALUMNI WHO REGISTERED AT HOME-COMING

(At least 500 were present.)

Dr. Glenn Andrews, '80, Montgomery, Ala.

W. U. Acree, '81, Dothan, Ala.

James A. Allen, '00, Birmingham, Ala.

W. C. Abbott, '09, Opelika, Ala.

Champe S. Andrews, '94, New York, N.

Y.

Mark S. Andrews, '79, Mobile, Ala.

Vassar L. Allen, '87, Birmingham, Ala.

A. S. Averett, '92, Boston, Ga.

H. W. Allen, '08, Atlanta, Ga.

Cyrus W. Ashcraft, '88, Florence, Ala.

John T. Ashcraft, '80, Florence, Ala.

A. P. Aldrich, '12, Greenwood, S. C.

H. C. Averyt, '92, Ensley, Ala.

Samuel Adler, '10, Auburn, Ala.

Lee Ashcraft, '93, Atlanta, Ga.

J. B. Barnett, '96, Monroeville, Ala.

L. S. Boyd, '92, Washington, D. C.

J. V. Brown, '94, Dothan, Ala.

R. W. Butler, '00, Sheffield, Ala.

S. R. Batson, '08, Birmingham, Ala.

Geo. Bondurant, '95, Birmingham, Ala.

J. Q. Burton, '96, Atlanta, Ga.

C. H. Billingsley, '02, Montgomery, Ala.

R. L. Bivins, '93, Americus, Ga.

Thos. Bragg, '01, Auburn, Ala.

E. E. Binford, '09, Beeville, Texas.

S. M. Bernheim, '06, Birmingham, Ala.

W. W. Bagley, '13, Americus, Ga.

Sam H. Browne, '01, Gainesville, Ga.

Wm. H. Bruce, '98, Montgomery, Ala.

H. M. Boyd, '13, Auburn, Ala.

L. R. Boyd, '84, Troy, Ala.

B. H. Boyd, '84, Hartford, Ala.

Jos. Calloway '81, Montgomery, Ala.

A. H. Culver, '00, Montgomery, Ala.

C. W. Cooper, '08, Oxford, Ala.

A. J. Crawford, '89, Auburn, Ala.

B. H. Crenshaw, '89, Auburn, Ala.

H. W. Caldwell, '11, Auburn, Ala.

Dr. E. S. Casey, '97, Birmingham, Ala.

Fred Curtis, '07, Pollard, Ala.

D. M. Clements, '10, Lynnville, Tenn.

W. J. Cameron, '01, New Orleans, La.

Wm. J. Chase, '03, Atlanta, Ga.

Geo. M. Clapp, '75, Columbus, Ga.

O. G. Clements, '11, Pensacola, Fla.

Ralph Carlisle, '09, Letohatchee, Ala.

L. C. Chambers, '08, Ruston, La.

Wilmer Calloway, '90, Montgomery, Ala.

A. C. Cameron, '00, Birmingham, Ala.

Miss Leland Cooper, '07, Auburn, Ala.

John V. Denson, '05, Opelika, Ala.

N. D. Denson, '06, LaFayette, Ala.

A. L. Dowdell, '80, Opelika, Ala.

Dr. J. H. Drake, '64, Auburn, Ala.

H. S. Doster, '89, Prattville, Ala.

M. G. Allen, '10, Birmingham, Ala.

E. S. Allen, '12, Birmingham, Ala.

B. G. Allen, '11, Opelika, Ala.
Dr. R. P. Burke, '03, Montgomery, Ala.
 Miss Modesta Beasley, '06, Tuskegee, Ala.
 M. R. Burton, '93, Marianna, Fla.
 L. M. Blumenfeld, '11, Opelika, Ala.
 Judge J. J. Banks, '82, Denver, Colo.
 R. B. Barnes, Opelika, Ala.
 Lee Betty, '10, Montgomery, Ala.
 J. W. Byrd, '78.
 Dr. B. S. Clay, '12, Bessemer, Ala.
 C. C. Certain, '06, Birmingham, Ala.
 C. F. Carter, '10, Savannah, Ga.
 H. M. Crossett, '08, Birmingham, Ala.
 E. L. Caton, '11, Birmingham, Ala.
 J. J. Cater, '11, Forsyth, Ga.
 S. R. Cruse, '11, Huntsville, Ala.
 N. S. Carr, '10, Montgomery, Ala.
 G. L. Campbell, '12, Mobile, Ala.
 Geo. Clower, '09, Opelika, Ala.
 Judge Lum Duke, '84, Opelika, Ala.
 Jas. S. Dowdell, '77, Montgomery.
 Joshua S. Dowdell, '79, LaFayette, Ala.
 Dr. C. G. Dillard, '06, Huntsville, Ala.
 C. A. Dean, '08, Alexander City, Ala.
 H. S. Dumas, '11, Birmingham, Ala.
 D. P. Dixon, '98, Talladega, Ala.
 F. R. Duncan, '07, Columbus, Ga.
 S. C. Dowdell, '78, Auburn, Ala.
 L. G. Dawson, '78, Ware, Ala.
 F. A. Dillard, '12, Lynn, Mass.
 E. S. DeShazo, '08, Bessemer, Ala.
 R. H. Drake, '07, Auburn, Ala.
 M. H. Eskew, '11, Selma, Ala.
 J. B. Espy, '94, Abbeville, Ala.
 Dr. J. H. Edmonson, '01, Birmingham,
 Ala.
 J. B. Ellis, '78, Selma, Ala.
 T. H. Edwards, '10, Montgomery, Ala.
 W. E. Elsberry, '08, Montgomery, Ala.
 M. C. Ellis, '08, Orrville, Ala.
 W. T. Fwing, '10, Atlanta, Ga.
 W. F. Feagin, '92, Montgomery, Ala.
 K. L. Forrester, '05, Dothan, Ala.
 M. T. Fullan, '99, Auburn, Ala.
 J. J. Flowers, '00, Dothan, Ala.
 W. A. Fitzgerald, '97, Richland, Ga.
 J. T. Foy, '09, Clemson College, S. C.
 W. E. Fitzgerald, '91, Omaha, Ga.
 T. M. Francis, '11, Union Springs, Ala.
 Miss Hattie D. Finley, '09, Blountsville,
 Ala.
 Judge F. J. Garrison, '80, Ashland, Ala.
 L. G. Gresham, '05, Birmingham, Ala.
 C. B. Glenn, '91, Birmingham, Ala.
 Rev. E. W. Gray, '98, Cusseta, Ga.
 C. G. Gaum, '08, Auburn, Ala.
 Dr. Gaston J. Greil, '97, Montgomery,
 Ala.
 F. M. Grissett, '08, Albany, Ga.
 G. J. Golden, '07, Columbus, Ga.
 E. H. Graves, '92, Eufaula, Ala.
 J. M. Gillespy, '10, Birmingham, Ala.
 J. W. Gwinn, '02, Birmingham, Ala.
 C. L. Hare, '91, Auburn, Ala.
 W. F. Herbert, '93, Demopolis, Ala.
 M. R. Hutchinson, '97, Orange, N. J.
 Blair Hughes, '01, Birmingham, Ala.
 H. Herzfeld, '97, Alexander City, Ala.
 A. W. Herren, '94, Tallassee, Ala.
 J. Haralson, '98, Birmingham, Ala.
 J. B. Holman, '09, Camden, Ala.
 J. B. Hodges, '09, Winfield, Ala.
 Henry Hiden, '03, Birmingham, Ala.
 J. B. Hobdy, '97, Auburn, Ala.
 R. H. Hood, '01, Birmingham, Ala.
 Jos. Herzfeld, '97, West Point, Ga.
 J. F. Heard, '97, Atlanta, Ga.
 Dr. A. L. Harlan, '83, Alexander City,
 Ala.
 C. M. Hudson, '07, Auburn, Ala.
 F. W. Hare, '98, Monroeville, Ala.
 W. W. Hill, '97, Auburn, Ala.
 Dr. H. S. Henderson, '96, Grand Junction, Colo.
 Dr. H. M. Hamill, '67, Nashville, Tenn.
 Dr. W. M. Howell, '09, Valdosta, Ga.
 H. Hagedorn, '04, West Point, Ga.
 W. R. Holley, '08, Atmore, Ala.
 C. E. Harrison, '98, Charlotte, N. C.
 D. T. Herndon, '02, Little Rock, Ark.
 W. E. Davis, '87, Opelika, Ala.
 J. F. Duggar, Jr., '12, Auburn, Ala.
 C. F. Driver, '12, Montgomery, Ala.
 C. H. Davis, Manatee, Fla.
 H. W. Fenn, '99, Clayton, Ala.
 M. A. Frazer, '06, Mobile, Ala.
 H. Frazer, '07, Selma, Ala.
 Frank Farley, '98, Opelika, Ala.
 P. B. Frazer, '73, Prattville, Ala.
 W. W. Garrett, '09, Montgomery, Ala.
 A. R. Grissendanner, '11, Columbia,
 Ala.
 J. L. Gaston, '07, Atlanta, Ga.
 R. L. Gaines, '96, Dothan, Ala.
 C. G. Greene, '94, Opelika, Ala.
 Miss Annie Heard, '96, Auburn.
 M. S. Harvey, '01, West Point, Ga.
 J. G. Hanlin, '09, Sheffield, Ala.
 Miss Mae Harvey, '05, Auburn, Ala.
 C. L. Hendrix, '10, Birmingham, Ala.
 Jas. H. Hardaway, '69, Montgomery,
 Ala.
 Ben F. Harris, '09, Jacksonville, Ala.
 Mrs. Kate Teague Hagler, '94, Tulsa,
 Okla.
 L. J. Hawley, '10, Abbeville, Ala.
 Dr. F. G. Hendrick, '06, Hurtsboro, Ala.
 Ed. Huguley, West Point, Ga.
 E. D. Huguley, Atlanta, Ga.
 J. H. Holt, '93, Washington, D. C.
 T. C. Hughes, '10, Chicago, Ill.
 C. C. Hare, '94, Lower Peach Tree, Ala.
 Dr. P. W. Hudson, '09, Americus, Ala.
 Dr. Armstrong Hill, '10, Montgomery,
 Ala.
 J. P. Illges, '00, Columbus, Ga.
 E. A. Jones, '01, Birmingham, Ala.
 C. A. Jones, '09, Evergreen, Ala.
 W. A. Jordan, '00, Montgomery, Ala.
 Roger Ap. C. Jones, '87, Selma, Ala.
 J. B. Jackson, '01, Auburn, Ala.
 S. S. Jerdan, '11, Emelle, Ala.
 W. M. Jordan, '02, Montgomery, Ala.
 R. A. Jones, '12, Montgomery, Ala.

C. N. Jones, '97, Montgomery, Ala.
 B. Kaufman, '10, Atlanta, Ga.
 L. Kling, '10, Mobile, Ala.
 W. O. Jelks, '09, Hawkinsville, Ga.
 A. J. Krebs, '09, Birmingham, Ala.
 T. C. Locke, '10, Montgomery, Ala.
 J. R. Lyon, '10, Monroeville, Ala.
 Dr. Jno. A. Lanford, '00, New Orleans,
 La.
 N. L. Long, '90, Kennedy, Ala.
 H. R. Luscher, '04, Mobile, Ala.
 E. W. Lind, '09, Ensley, Ala.
 Dr. E. F. Lee, '97, McKinley, Ala.
 J. H. Little, '90, Auburn, Ala.
 H. D. Lesene, '00, Mobile, Ala.
 C. F. Little, '06, Auburn, Ala.
 W. L. Lett, '06, Eutaw, Ala.
 Capt. B. D. Lumsden, '60, Macon, Ga.
 W. L. Lamar, '11, Union Springs, Ala.
 R. H. Liddell, '08, Camden, Ala.
 W. M. Lacey, '07, Woodward, Ala.
 W. E. Matthews, '99, Montgomery, Ala.
 Dr. W. W. Mangum, Rome, Ga., '84.
 J. M. Moseley, '11, Orrville, Ala.
 H. L. Martin, '80, Ozark, Ala.
 C. L. Mullin, '05, Phoenix, Ala.
 L. F. Pritchett, '13, Auburn, Ala.
 W. C. Martin, '00, Woodward, Ala.
 E. A. Miller, '00, Albertville, Ala.
 J. M. Mayes, '09, Birmingham, Ala.
 F. G. Morris, '98, Sayreton, Ala.
 John Maples, '00, Omaha, Ga.
 Rev. J. T. Mangum, '96, Union Springs,
 Ala.
 G. N. Mitcham, '97, Auburn, Ala.
 T. W. Morgan, '03, Birmingham, Ala.
 J. A. Morgan, '08, Lincoln, Ala.
 Dan Martin, '01, Birmingham, Ala.
 W. S. Martin, '03, Easton, Pa.
 T. F. Mangum, '83, San Antonio, Texas.
 J. L. Moulder, '96, Fort Deposit, Ala.
 F. M. Moseley, '92, Montgomery, Ala.
 R. J. Malone, '11, Birmingham, Ala.
 B. H. McQueen, '99, Haynesville, Ala.
 Hunter McDuffie, '07, River Ridge, Ala.
 James H. McCary, '84, Birmingham,
 Ala.
 J. M. McClellan, '07, Atlanta, Ga.
 T. P. McElderry, '04, Talladega, Ala.
 John McDuffie, '04, Monroeville, Ala.
 Rev. O. C. McGehee, '79, Mobile, Ala.
 A. M. McNeel, '02, Montgomery, Ala.
 C. R. Hixon, '07, Auburn, Ala.
 J. M. Johnson, '12, Auburn, Ala.
 F. L. Jenkins, '11, Hamilton, Ala.
 H. W. Jones, '12, Orange, N. J.
 C. D. Killebrew, '06, Lexington, Ky.
 B. J. Lamb, '10, Birmingham, Ala.
 Mrs. Kate M. Lane, '99, Auburn, Ala.
 A. B. Moore, '11, Auburn, Ala.
 E. A. Major, '12, Birmingham, Ala.
 Ray Meade, '09, Ensley, Ala.
 D. J. Meador, '08, Selma, Ala.
 Rex Matthews, '13, Sylacauga, Ala.
 A. H. Mitchell, '07, Opelika, Ala.
 W. L. Mitchell, '06, Auburn, Ala.
 T. B. Meadows, '11, Cullman, Ala.
 G. H. Marsh, '09, Auburn, Ala.
 J. W. Moore, '09, Birmingham, Ala.
 L. W. Montgomery, Cusseta, Ala.
 C. F. McLendon, '09, Montgomery, Ala.
 L. F. McDonnell, '99, Atlanta, Ga.
 W. H. McBryde, '97, San Francisco, Cal.
 R. B. McWhorter, '09, Guild, Tenn.
 W. C. McMillan, '95, Talladega, Ala.
 Dr. J. N. McLean, '95, Hope Hull, Ala.
 A. D. McLennan, '91, Atlanta, Ga.
 Dr. I. S. McAdory, '04, Auburn, Ala.
 J. T. McLemore, '10, Boligee, Ala.
 M. F. Nixon, '12, Guntersville, Ala.
 Dr. R. B. Nixon, '11, Demopolis, Ala.
 H. C. Nixon, '09, Jacksonville, Ala.
 A. B. Newman, '12, Huntsville, Ala.
 W. H. Negus, '97, Greenville, Miss.
 C. L. Newman, '86, West Raleigh, N. C.
 J. P. Oliver, '74, Dadeville, Ala.
 W. J. Orum, '80, Montgomery, Ala.
 W. I. Pittman, '09, Dothan, Ala.
 Judge W. W. Pearson, '82, Montgomery, Ala.
 P. P. Powell, '10, Auburn, Ala.
 J. R. Persons, '09, Montgomery, Ala.
 J. E. Pitts, '12, Pittsview, Ala.
 W. O. Parmer, '73, Nashville, Tenn.
 J. W. Powell, '09, Lowndesboro, Ala.
 J. L. Pollard, '97, Abbeville, Ala.
 B. S. Patrick, '97, Auburn, Ala.
 Jno. Purifoy, '97, Brewton, Ala.
 L. W. Pierce, '03, Montgomery, Ala.
 W. P. Pruitt, '03, Chatom, Ala.
 C. D. Pace, '08, Oxford, Ala.
 A. A. Persons, '86, Bessemer, Ala.
 Dr. H. S. Persons, Montgomery, Ala.
 H. D. Pace, '89, Troy, Ala.
 E. O. Perry, '04, Savannah, Ga.
 Dr. G. H. Price, '78, Nashville, Tenn.
 E. A. Price, '80, Nashville, Tenn.
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 Ala.
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MARRIAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Miss Idalene Bell, '01, and Mr. Julian T. Dixon were married on October 2, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon reside at 715 South 33rd Street, Birmingham, Ala.

R. B. Everett, '08, was married on January 2, 1912, to Miss Emma V. Benjamin. Everett is in the contractors' supply business at Houston, Tex.

F. W. Lumpkin, '11, and Miss Alma Gothard were married on March 17, 1912. Lumpkin is connected with the K. C. Lumber Company at Lucedale, Miss.

M. B. Scott, '10, was married on August 7, 1912, to Miss Garland Stallworth. He is in the drug business in Pensacola, Fla.

L. G. Brooks, '08, and Miss Clara Beeland were married on April 10, 1912. Brooks is attorney at law and mayor of the city of Brewton, Ala.

B. H. Moon, '11, and Miss Margaret Linna Vann were married at Red Bay, Ala., on December 30, 1912. Moon is farming at Alexandria, Ala.

Thos. H. Edwards, '10, was married on October 21, 1912, to Miss Florence Virginia Cameron, of Montgomery, Ala. Mr. Edwards is highway engineer for Montgomery county.

Mr. C. D. Allis, '09, was married on June 5th to Miss Marie England, of Woodlawn, Ala. He and Mrs. Allis included Auburn in the itinerary of their bridal trip.

A. D. Cameron, '04, and Miss Nettie Amelia Henig, of Chicago, Ill., were married on June 5, 1912.

Dr. J. F. Messick, Professor of Mathematics at the A. P. I., was married on June 18th to Miss Epie Duncan Blackwell, daughter of President and Mrs. R. E. Blackwell of Randolph Macon College, Ashland, Va. Dr and Mrs. Messick are now in Europe.

F. B. Rutledge, '07, and Miss Daisy Kirn, of Mansfield, La., were married on July 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge spent several days of their bridal trip in Auburn, visiting the former's parents.

G. A. Young, '09, and Miss Eleanor Jones were married on July 2nd at the country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones, near Selma, Ala. After an extended bridal trip, Mr. and Mrs. Young will be at home in Birmingham, where Young is Principal of the Seven-teenth Avenue School.

W. H. McEniry, '04, and Miss Dora Elizabeth Winters, of Bessemer, Ala., were married on June 25, 1913.

J. A. York, '07, was married on June 30, 1913, to Miss Anna Jones, of Jones's Mill, Ala. York is at the head of the department of science and manual arts in the High School at Dothan, Ala.

Rev. and Mrs. George Boice Titus, of West Bridgewater, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Adelaide Lawton, to Mr. Julian Jarnigan Culver, '08. The wedding will be solemnized in December. Culver is in the employ of the government at Melrose Highlands, Mass., as an entomologist.

Dr. E. M. Mason, '00, and Miss Helen Steiner, daughter of Major and Mrs. R. E. Steiner, of Montgomery, Ala., were married on Tuesday evening, July 15th. Dr. and Mrs. Mason left immediately on a bridal trip to Canada and other points, and on their return will be at home in Birmingham, Ala.



THE FIRST ALUMNA TO TAKE LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Among the forty-two new Life Memberships purchased last June was one subscribed for by Miss Mary Robinson, '99. Miss Robinson was one of the most enthusiastic home-comers, and her generosity called forth much enthusiastic applause from the members of the Alumni Association who were present at the business meeting. Miss Robinson is one of the most successful teachers in the State. Her present position is that of instructor in science in the Birmingham High School.

PERSONAL MENTION.

R. E. Noble, '90, is a Major in the medical corps, United States Army, orderly with the Isthmian Canal Commission in the Department of Sanitation as General Inspector for the Department. His address is Ancon, Canal Zone.

W. A. Marshall, '91, is superintendent of the Massachusetts Mills at Lindale, Ga.

Welborn V. Jones, '94, has recently been appointed postmaster at Auburn.

S. S. Scott, '95, is Superintendent for the Hardaway Construction Company, of Columbus, Ga. Scott is personal representative of Mr. Hardaway and has charge of the lock and dam work at Squaw Shoals.

A. S. Moses, '98, is chief engineer for the National Lead Co., and the St. Louis Smelting & Refining Co., St. Louis Mo.

A. C. Vandiver, '98, is an attorney at law with offices at 37 Wall St., New York City. He is in partnership with Senator O'Gorman. For a number of years Vandiver was assistant to District Attorney Jerome.

N. C. Smith, '98, is a member of the firm of Smith Bros. & Co., wholesale grain and feed merchants, Birmingham, Ala. He is also connected with the Lynnville Mill & Elevator Co., Decatur, Ala.

G. H. Wheeler, '99, alias "Mutt," graduated in dentistry at Vanderbilt University last June, carrying away all the honors. He was the winner of the Founders' Medal and the Dr. Henry W. Morgan's medal for the best gold filling, the only medals given in this department. Auburn boys of '98 and '99 remember him as a star football player on the team that won from Georgia by the score of 18 to 17. Wheeler is now located in the Bell building in Montgomery, Ala.

T. G. Bush, '99, is superintendent of the rolling mill and wire mill of the Duplex Metal Co., Chester, Pa., manufacturers of "copper clad" steel products.

R. H. Roberts, '00, is in the mercantile business at Gainesville, Ala.

E. A. Miller, '00, for the past several years President of the Seventh District Agricultural School at Albertville, Ala., went to Washington on July 1st to take a place in the Department of Agriculture as assistant in agricultural education. His work will consist of making surveys of rural agricultural educational conditions in the South and editing sub-serial agricultural bulletins particularly suited for instruction in rural schools and secondary schools.

P. S. Haley, '01, is engineer for the Corona Coal & Iron Co., The Birmingham Fuel Co., West Corona Coal Co., and the Gavoso Coal Co. His present address is Jasper, Ala.

W. J. Cameron, '01, is District Manager of the Phillip Carey Manufacturing Co., roofing manufacturers, New Orleans, La. He was one of the representatives of his class at the Home-Coming.

D. W. Peabody, '02, is district manager of the power and mining department General Electric Co., Atlanta, Ga.

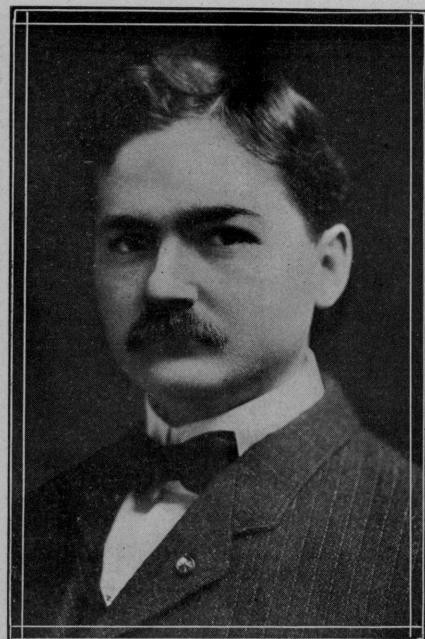
Percy M. Marshall, '03, recently left the New York shop of the Western Electric Company, in order to assume the duties as a head of one of their manufacturing departments at the Hawthorne works, Chicago, Ill. After taking the educational course with the company, in 1905, he was transferred to the New York shop in 1908, where he was successively head of the shop order department, output department, shop stores department and production department.

S. T. Jones, '04, is first assistant engineer in charge of construction of locks and dams at Squaw Shoals, Ala. This work is being done by the U S. Government at a cost of about \$3,000,000.

W. L. Alston, '04, is local manager of the Charleston, W. Va., office of the General Electric Company.

Ralph Dudley, '05, is Assistant General Agent Wholesale Contract and Inspection Department for the New York Edison Company. He is also instructor in architectural design at the New York Evening High School for Men.

O. E. Young, '05, is superintendent of construction for the Savannah Engineering & Construction Co., Savannah, Ga. Young was present at the Home-Coming Commencement.



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J. P. Carter, '05, is Assistant Construction Manager for the J. B. McCrary Company, municipal contracts. Atlanta, Ga.

W. J. McBride, '06, is connected with the General Electric Co., at Lynn, Mass., as assistant engineer on turbo-compressors.

W. G. Martin, '07, is located at Millville, Fla. He is chief of party N. O. M. & C. R. R. location surveys.

N. B. McLeod, '07, is Pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, at Phoenix City, Ala. He has recently taken his Bachelor of Divinity degree at Vanderbilt University.

J. D. Sample, '07, holds the position of chemist for the American Cast Iron Pipe Co., Birmingham, Ala.

J. A. Walker, '08, "Jake," of Alexander City, graduated with high honors from the law school of the University of Chicago last June. Walker, who is a graduate of Auburn, and who was also instructor in History at Auburn for two years, received the degree of doctor of law (J. D.) cum laude. In addition to graduating with honor, Walker was elected to membership in the National Honorary Legal Order of the Calf, which is the highest honor bestowed upon graduating law students.

R. U. Blasingame, Eng., '08, and Agr., '10, has recently been elected to a lucrative position in the department of agricultural engineering at the State College of Pennsylvania. During the past college year he pursued advanced work at Iowa State College, Iowa. For two years prior to 1913 he was professor of agriculture in the High School at Cooper, Texas.

Walker Reynolds, '08, of Auburn football fame, is manager of Southern sales of ornamental lamp standards for the Union Foundry Company, of Anniston, Ala. His company makes a specialty of manufacturing ornamental lamp standards and in open competition has secured contracts for furnishing "white way posts" for a number of leading cities throughout the country. A recent contract was for lighting Pennsylvania avenue in Washington City. These posts will be topped with 24-inch lamps, containing 1500 candle power lights, giving Washington City, it is said, the most brilliantly lighted street in the world.

E. S. DeShazo, '08, is superintendent of treating plants for the T. C. I. Co., of Bessemer. De Shazo was on hand at the Home-Coming Commencement.

W. L. Barker, '09, is traveling salesman for the General Electric Company, with headquarters at Jacksonville, Florida.

J. T. McLure, '09, All-Southern quarterback, is chief of party on transmission line location for the Cedar Rapid Power Co., at Cornwall, Ontario.

H. C. Nixon, '09, expects to spend the next two or three years at the University

of Chicago, taking work in history and sociology.

A. L. Clothier, '09, is manager of the Mobile Welding & Machinery Co., Mobile, Ala.

S. H. Richardson, '09, is practicing law in Birmingham, Ala. He has offices in the Farley building.

Thos. E. Beasley, '09, is manager of the Buffalo District office of Cutler Electrical and Manufacturing Co., of Philadelphia, Pa.

L. W. Shook, '09, has recently been made assistant in animal husbandry at North Carolina Experiment Station at West Raleigh. Since graduation Shook has been connected with the Experiment Station at Auburn.

E. E. Binford, '09, and Mrs. Binford were in attendance at the Home-Coming Commencement, and spent two weeks at Auburn, visiting the former's parents. Binford is director of the Beeville, Texas, Experiment Station, one of the branch stations under the direction of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Daniel MacDonald, '09, is superintendent of the T. C. I. Co.'s mines at Flat Top. The mining engineering class, under Prof. Brown, recently visited Flat Top on a tour of inspection, and they report that MacDonald showed them every courtesy and saw that they missed nothing of interest.

P. P. Powell, '10, Instructor in Chemistry at Auburn, left recently for the University of Wisconsin, where he intends to take advanced work in chemistry.

C. L. Speake, '10, is traveling salesman with the Westinghouse Electrical and Manufacturing Co., with headquarters at Charlotte, N. C.

J. W. Bivins, '11, is now located at Cordele, Ga. After taking some practical work with the General Electric Co., at Schenectady, he has accepted a position as assistant manager of the Cordele Electric Co.

W. R. Harvey, '11, is a salesman for the Allis-Chalmers Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

C. W. Crumley, '12, has recently been elected Principal of the Devereaux High School, Devereaux, Georgia.

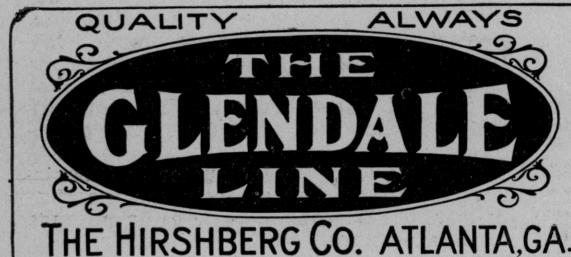
P. Koch, '12, is student tobacco investigations, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Koch was sent to this country by the South American government to study agricultural conditions. He returns home early in October.

J. E. Moses, '13, has recently been elected to the position of teacher of animal husbandry in the Third District Agricultural School at Magnolia, Ark.

J. P., "Rip," Major, '13, captain of the Auburn football team for the season of 1913, has recently been elected assistant coach at Clemson College for the coming year.

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